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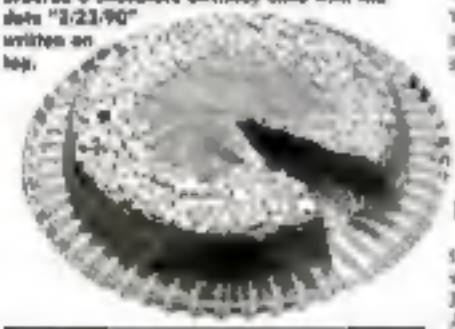
By KATE McCLARE
Weekly World News

CONVICTED KILLER Miguel A. Richardson, ordered a chocolate birthday cake with the date "2/22/90" written on top.



HERE are some meals to die for!

Death Row killers can order just about anything they want before their date with the executioner — but strangely enough, their tastes usually DON'T include fancy treats like lobster or caviar — and they don't always get what they want.

One murderer in an Asian housegow reportedly ordered the warden's pet cat — stuffed with wild rice and mushrooms and baked in garlic sauce. Needless to say, the smart aleck's request was refused. He ended up with something resembling chop suey before meeting his maker.

Another last meal turned out to be a real killer. The prisoner who had begged for take-out Mexican food, cheated the West African executioner out of a day's pay. He choked to death on a crisp taco shell just three hours before his date with fate.

In Texas, most Death Row residents crave simple, heart-stopping comfort food — cheeseburgers, fried chicken, barbecued ribs and milk shakes.

That's probably the kind of chow Mom used to make in those warm, carefree days of childhood — back before her beloved son or daughter became a twisted monster — too depraved to be allowed to live.

Many of the condemned order so much grub for their last supper, you'd think binge eating was a legal strategy for delaying the execution after the appeals run out.

CON KILLER Vincent Edward Cooks, asked for 12 pieces of chicken, two double-meat cheeseburgers on toasted buns and one large plate of brown French fries.

Cop killer Vincent Edward Cooks, 36, asked for 12 pieces of chicken, two double-meat cheeseburgers on toasted buns, one large plate of brown French fries with ketchup, two large sliced onions, two large sliced tomatoes, six sweet pickles, salad dressing, five sliced jalapeno peppers, peach cobbler with extra crust, and milk before his execution last year.

Jeffrey Dillingham, 27, ordered a cheeseburger with three kinds of cheese (but no mayonnaise, mustard or onions), a large plate of fries, a bowl of macaroni and cheese, lasagna with two slices of garlic bread, four ounces of nacho cheese, three large cinnamon rolls, five scrambled eggs and eight pints of chocolate milk. He then waddled to his 2000 execution.

A romantic request came from Miguel A. Richardson, 46. He ordered a large vegetarian meal topped off with a chocolate birthday cake with seven pink candles and the date "2/22/90" written in frosting on top. The date was his wedding anniversary.

Richard Brimage Jr., 41, must have thought he was out on a Saturday night date just before his 1987 execution. The rapist-killer ordered a pepperoni pizza and a Dr Pepper.

James Briddle, 40, ate like a trucker at a diner, wolfing down a rare T-bone steak, six fried eggs, hash browns and buttered toast. Washing down his big breakfast with orange juice and milk, Briddle then walked his last mile in 1985.

Joe Gonzales Jr., 35, satisfied his sweet tooth before being shot up with a killer cocktail of drugs in 1988. The thief-murderer enjoyed a slice of cheesecake washed down with a strawberry milk shake.

Not every one wants to be weighed down by a heavy meal. Death Row doll Karla Faye Tucker, 30, practically skipped to her 1998 execution, after munching a banana, a peach and a garden salad with ranch dressing.

It's not true that cops get the best seats in the house when it comes to executions. Cop killer Robert Sawyer, 39, was strapped to the gurney in the same room as the cop he killed in 1985.

SNEAKY SON SELLS PARENTS' HOUSE WHILE THEY'RE AWAY!

WHEN a Connecticut couple returned from a business trip abroad, they got the shock of their life — their own host sold their home!

Allen O'Keefe III had also held a garage sale and gotten rid of all their possessions, including a Mercedes sedan and a pickup truck, a Remington sculpture, antiques, a sit-down lawn mower, furniture and other items, many of which were bought by neighbors, according to Fairfield police.

In all, the heartless offspring sold off more than $1 million of his parents' property and investments in the swanky suburb of Greenfield Hill. And by the time they returned, the con had frittered away all the proceeds and could not even pay them back.

"We had given Allen everything when he was growing up, and he left us with nothing," said his mother Carol.

O'Keefe has pleaded guilty to larceny, forgery and conspiracy and was given a

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DEATH ROW INMATES

DEATH ROW DOLL
Karla Faye Tucker's last meal in 1998 was a banana, a peach and a garden salad with ranch dressing.

the prison kitchen stocks or can easily obtain — which may explain why few ask for booze, which is banned as are cigarettes.

Strangely of the 260 men and two women Texas has executed in the last 20 years, 40 passed up a last meal.

Killers who couldn't think of food in their final hours include murderer-rapist-thief Odell Barnes Jr., 51, who skipped dinner before his 2000 execution and asked instead for "justice, equality and world peace."

And then there was mama's boy Dietsch Boyd Teague Jr. The 35-year-old rapist-murderer was so terrified hours before his 1998 final payback call, he refused to eat — until his mom made him have a hamburger.

KILLER-THIEF
Joe Gonzales Jr., satisfied his sweet tooth with a strawberry milk shake before being shot up with a lethal cocktail.

Sick new Reality TV show:

WHO'S YOUR D

CHILD-WELFARE advocates are blasting a sick new "reality TV" game show called *Who's Your Daddy?* in which sperm bank kids try to guess which of three guys is their biological dad!

The outrageous show is taking in huge ratings in Holland and a U.S. version is already in the

PINT-SIZE contestants quiz three men trying to find their biological dad.

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ADDY?

works for next fall.

"This is child exploitation at its very worst," declares Eva van der Hart, director of the International Association for the Prevention of Media Child Abuse.

"To take the uncertainties of children who are the product of anonymous sperm donation and turn that into 'entertainment' is the height of mental cruelty."

On the hit show, which premiered last October in Holland, the contestants are children, ages 4 to 11.

Each segment features children, who get to see the "daddy" candidates, listen to their voices and pepper them with questions.

"The fun comes in as each child tries to figure out who their real father is and you sit in front of the TV following along," enthuses Dutch producer Jan Wolfbergen.

"We obtain the records from sperm banks with the permission of the donors, who agree in order on the show.

"Not even the moms know their names, so there's no chance of cheating. The other two fellows are actors."

The pint-size contestants scrutinize the possible pops for telltale traits like eye and hair color — but often the real dad is the guy who looks least like the child.

"The most entertaining part of the show is listening to the cute questions the kids pose," explains Wolfbergen.

"They'll ask things like 'Are you allergic to carrots?' 'Are you good at arithmetic?' or 'Can you roll your tongue like this?'"

At the end of the show, equivalent of $500,000 in American money.

Losers get consolation prizes such as fishing rods, ice skates or the popular Who's Your Daddy? home game.

But children's rights activists claim that nothing can make up for the emotional trauma inflicted by the TV show, whose set is based on one used by *Jeopardy!*, 30 years ago.

"Many of these children are horribly disappointed when the man they've picked as their father turns out to be the wrong one — and has no intention of playing a role in their lives," says Amsterdam-based Ms. van der Hart.

"They've been fantasizing about playing catch with him in the backyard but they realize that will never happen. Often they'll burst into tears as the truth sinks in and camera zooms in on them. It's simply heartbreaking to watch."

Wolfbergen says there's nothing wrong with showing genuine human emotion on television — in fact, he insists, that's the whole "charm" of the show.

"On adult reality shows, you often catch the cast struggling for the camera," the TV mogul points out. "These are real kids showing real emotions. The audience picks up on that — and that's exactly what they love about the show."

The American version of the game show is likely to air next September.

"The pilot is being shopped around to the networks. I've seen it and it looks great."

Thanks, Enron!

LUCKY LUKE bailed out just in time before energy giant Enron went bust! Selling his stock options for a mind-bending sum, the one-time accountant has traded in his golf clubs and U.S. citizenship for the sun and surf on a small island in the Indian Ocean. There, he shares a luxury villa with his former secretary Mary Jo, 25, a runner-up in a Texas beauty pageant. While, the 37-year-old number cruncher admits he misses his wily ways, he was able to take his 6-year-old German shepherd, Kaa 2. "He's a friendly face from home," says Luke.

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MEET EINSTEIN DUMB TWIN

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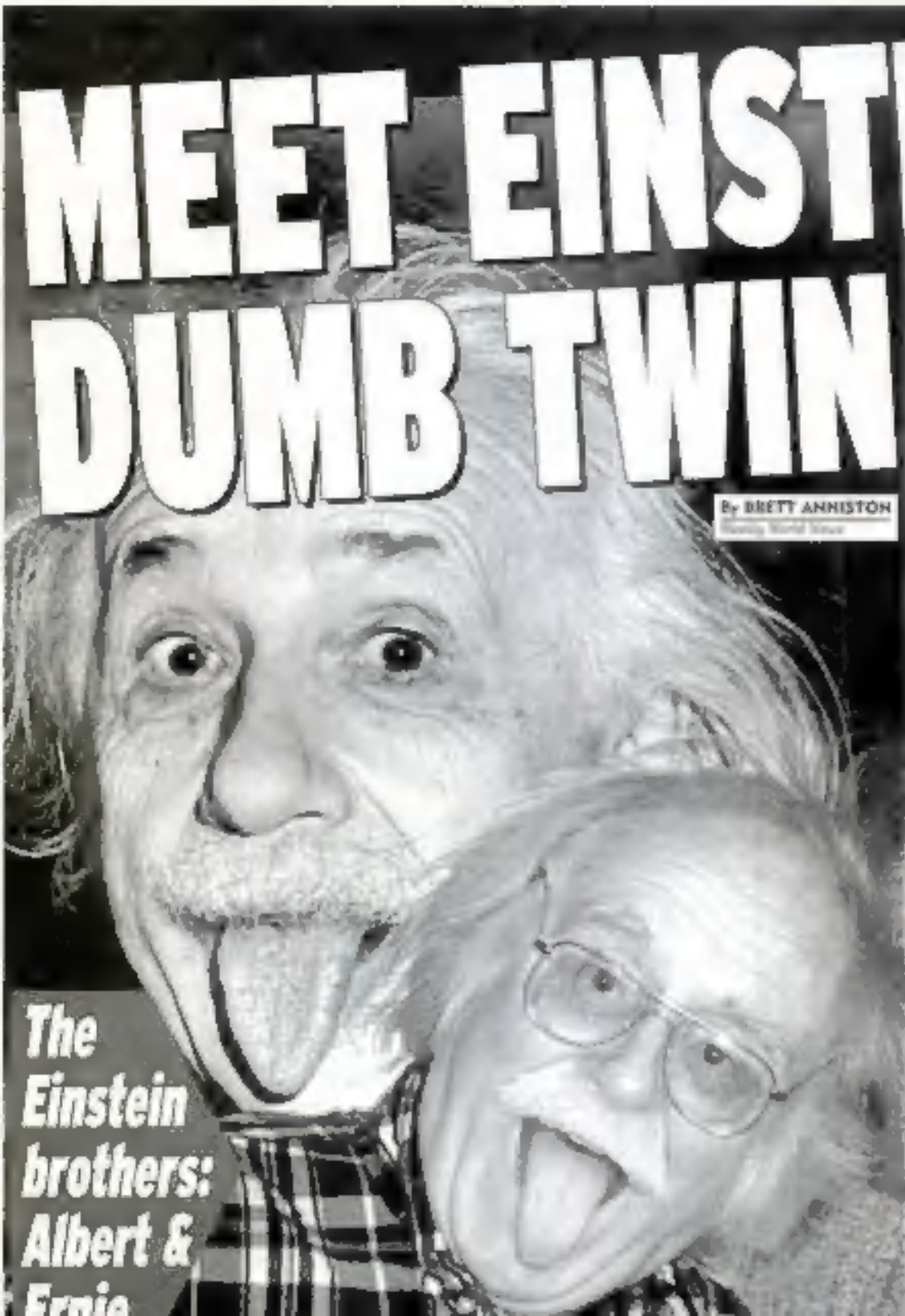

The Einstein brothers: Albert & Ernie

FAMED SCIENTIST Albert Einstein took a shocking secret to his grave — he had a twin brother, Ernst "Ernie" Einstein, who was as dumb as a bag of hammers!

Ernst also was a scientist like his late brother and with his wild shaggy hair, was a dead ringer for the famous E=MC² egghead. But that's where the similarity ended.

The goofy "breakthroughs" the little-brained scientist dreamed up included:

- The square hole keeps which curves on the lip and doesn't fall down.
- Swiss cheese without holes.
- The dirt sandwich — "a cheap solution to the problem of hunger in third world countries," he explained.
- Contact lenses with frames — "to keep truck drivers from falling asleep during long hauls."
- The controversial theory that the Earth's core is made of marshmallows, "explaining why our planet is light enough to float in space."

Professor Erich Durkmann, who teaches the history of science at Hauser College in Zurich, Switzerland, drops the bombshell revelation that Einstein had a twin brother in his new book, *The Einstein Boys: Bert and Ernie*.

"Ernst has always aspired to be as great a scientist and thinker as his brother, but to put it bluntly, he never had much aptitude," says Durkmann.

"Albert used to say, 'I love my brother, but he's a dunderhead.' He was so embarrassed by Ernst's ridiculous theories and useless inventions that in later years he refused to even acknowledge his existence."

Einstein mom Pauline delivered Ernst three minutes after his brilliant twin Albert in Ulm, Germany on March 14, 1879. The boys spent their youth in Munich until 1894, when the family moved to Milan, Italy, after dad Hermann's electrochemical busi-

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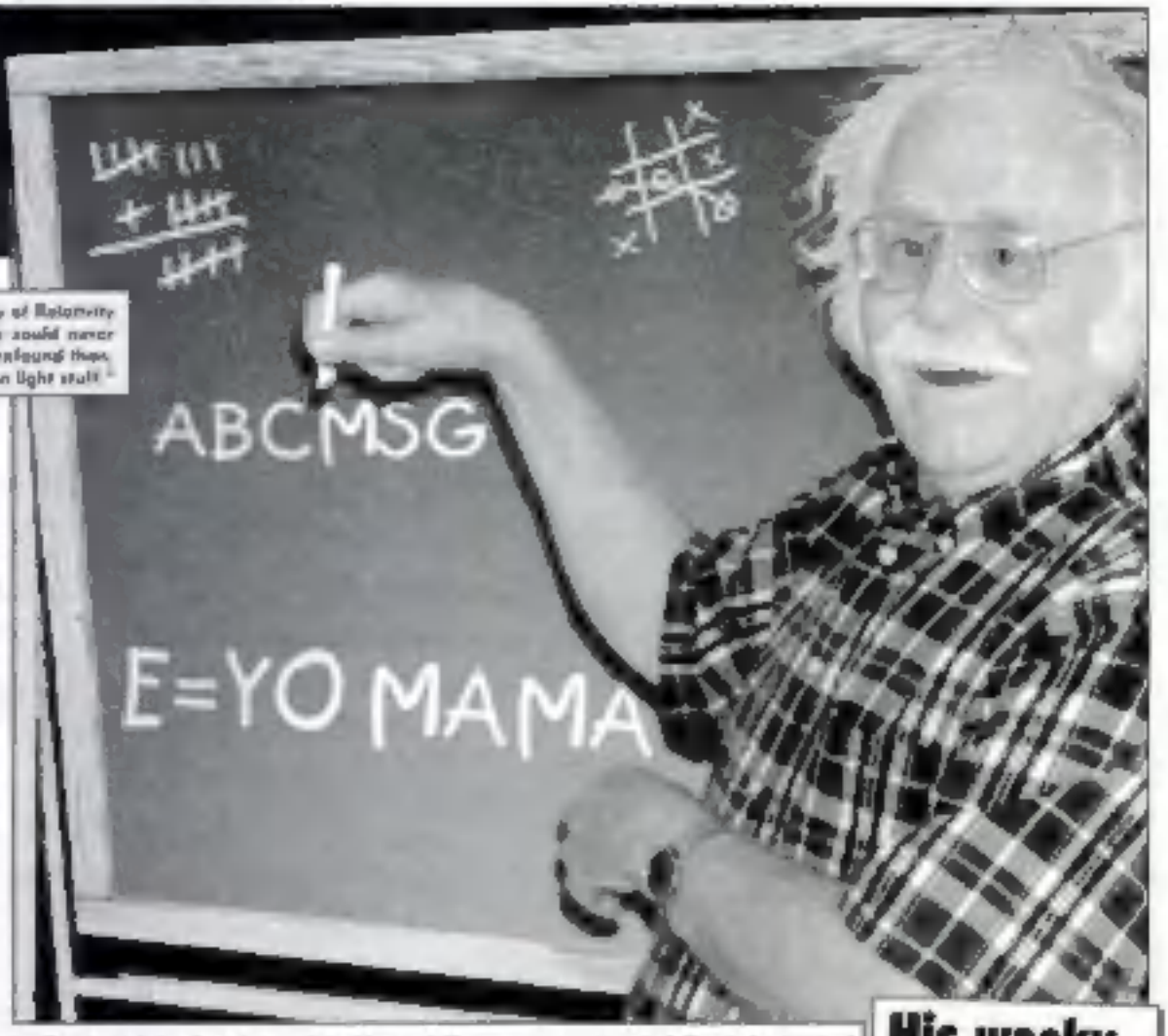

DUH! Brother Albert's Theory of Relativity changed the world, but Ernie could never come up with an idea more profound than, "Heavy stuff weighs more than light stuff."

finish school, but Ernst, who had to be taught at home because he'd flunked so many classes, moved with his parents.

From then on, Ernst resented the success of his brother and tried to follow in his footsteps. But he failed miserably because he was such a dimwit.

But his loyal wife Hannah defended him even after his death in 2038 at age 70, some three years after Albert's death.

"No one has ever given Ernst the credit he deserves — it's always Albert, Albert, Albert," complained Hannah, shortly before her death in her Bern, Switzerland home in 1971. "What about Ernst's Special Theory of Crowing, which states 'Heavy stuff weighs more than light stuff.'

"He spent hours in his lab in the garage, weighing things on the scale to prove his theory. But his sacrifice gained him nothing.

"The truth is, Ernst was twice the scientist Albert ever was."

Despite early signs that Ernst was a blithering idiot, his father Hermann, mother Pauline and older sister Maja believed he had the makings of a rocket scientist.

"Albert hadn't spoken until the age of 4, yet became the world's greatest theoretical physicist," explains Dorfmann. "Their parents held out hope that Ernst, who couldn't speak until he was 7, would also be a late bloomer. They encouraged his interest in science and gave him an expensive chemistry set.

"Ernst ended up burning down their home twice with the kit and three times he had to be rushed to the hospital after stapling his ear to his head."

By 1905, Albert had published his Special Theory of Relativity and in 1921 he was awarded the prestigious Nobel Prize for Physics.

"Ernst kept trying to catch up, but he simply couldn't," says Dorfmann.

When Nazi madman Adolf Hitler came to power in the 1930s, Albert, a Jew, immediately fled Germany and moved to the United States, where he continued his research at Princeton University.

Meanwhile, dimwitted Ernst fled to Poland, where there was impending horror of Jews and which

DHAWTTED! Ernie believed that the Earth's core is made of

arrested Ernst, he insisted that he was a great scientist and demanded to be put to work in a lab.

"The Nazis knew Albert's theories were being used by the U.S. to develop an atomic bomb and they thought that with Ernst's 'brainpower' on their side, they could build one first," says Dorfmann. "Need-less to say, they were dead wrong.

"Every one of Ernst's bombs blew up in the lab. One missile even went astray and demolished Hitler's mountain retreat, killing his favorite German shepherd, Otto."

After the war, Ernst moved to Switzerland, where he lived until his death.

"The sad thing is that Ernst unwittingly turned out to be just as big a war hero as Albert," says Dorfmann. "Ernst's stupid blunders at the Nazi lab set back their war machine at least two years. Without his bumbling,

His wacky inventions included:

- *The dirt sandwich*
- *Hole-free Swiss cheese*
- *Square hula hoop*
- *Contact lenses with*

HOLLY*weird*

Call it whatever you want, Hollywood is one wild and wacky place — thanks to all those silly celebs who call it their home. Here are the latest TinselTown tidbits from our star watchers.

SHE GOT JEERS, HE GOT EARS

Britney Spears was heard unable cries of, "Britney go home," when she emerged her feet at the London premiere of her flick Crossroads by refusing to wave and smile. One Brit paper slammed her as "the diva to end all divas." Oh yeah, well at least Britney doesn't have elephant ears like Prince Charles.

Tawny in 1990.

BUSH A FAN OF OZ

According to insiders, one of the biggest fans of rock wildman Ozzie Osbourne's new series on MTV — is President George W. Bush. "Must said.

Tawny's story

FROM VOGUE TO ROGUE

Former O.J. Simpson pal Tawny Kitaen revealed a bit more than she probably wanted to when the 40-year-old actress was busted for beating on her pro-basketball hunk spouse. In addition to looking like third base in her mug shot, the sexpot actress' stats noted that she's 5-foot-7 and 145 pounds. Apparently, Tawny's been hitting the handbag

THANK YOU BERRY MUCH

Just days after her Oscar win, Halle Berry surprised Boston host Ryn Perlman, for whom she models, by telling him "now, you'll have to pay me more." Ron was reportedly furious — especially since Halle's under contract — and stormed off. Did we mention that Halle's previous best role was in the thriller Swordfish — when she "acted" the part of the bimbo running around topless.

Elvis Presley® 25th Anniversary Tennessee State Quarter Tribute

Collectors scramble to get the new Elvis Presley 25th Anniversary Tennessee State Quarter Tribute.

"King of Rock & Roll"® Joins Presidents on U.S. Coinage

Memphis, TN – Elvis Presley fans are "all shook up" over the announcement that the King of Rock & Roll has become the first recording artist ever honored on official U.S. coinage. The Limited Edition coin, a colorized Tennessee Statehood Quarter from Elvis' home state, commemorates the 25th Anniversary of Elvis' untimely passing in 1977. Reaction to the tribute has been nothing short of spectacular as droves of fans are scrambling to obtain the coin before any possible selling freeze.

By a revolutionary new process that usually fuses a brilliant color portrait of Elvis into the face of the coin. Each collectible tribute is completed with the Official 25th Anniversary logo from Graceland along with a reproduction of Elvis' unmistakable signature.

"Elvis Presley is perhaps the most collected icon of the 20th century," stated George Stafford of the International Collectors Society, exclusive distributors of the coins. "This uniquely American collectible combines the legendary appeal of the "Entertainer of the Century" with the historical significance of the 50 State Quarters Program. It's a collectible ever released and represents a true collector's treasure to be appreciated for generations to come... a must have for all Elvis fans."

The Tennessee Statehood quarters used in this unique commemorative are obtained directly from the U.S. Mint in brilliant uncirculated condition. After the strictest coin-selection process is applied, each coin is sealed inside a crystal-clear capsule to assure the dazzling luster will never tarnish.

The Elvis Presley 25th Anniversary Tennessee quarter collectible is struck in .999 fine silver and is encased in a custom-designed, satin-finished display box. Each Limited Edition coin is backed by the International Collectors Society 100% Buy Back Guarantee and comes with an individually numbered Certificate of Authenticity. "It's a sensational way for fans, young and old to establish a link with one of the most enduring icons of the 20th Century," added Stafford.

Given the worldwide popularity of Elvis, fans should order their coins as soon as possible to avoid the disappointment of missing out on this unique collectible opportunity.

To order your Elvis Presley 25th Anniversary Tennessee State Quarter Tribute, send your check or money order to: ICS, 10365 Red Run Blvd, Suite 350/WWQ07, Owings Mills, Maryland 21117. Credit card holders may call toll free

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Good LORD!

JESUS STEPS UP TO THE PLATE

JESUS is a jock — as anyone knows who's ever listened to a winning athlete after the big victory. And the losers never blame Jesus, as He must always be on the winning side!

Catholic kids are playing on Jesus' team with these hand-painted resin statues that portray Him playing a variety of sports, including baseball, football, basketball and soccer. No fouls here — the saintly superstar is one guy who'll never throw you a curve!

MASS HYSTERIA

Bad eggs go wild in Easter rampage

EASTER isn't for sissies in the Czech Republic, especially for women. They get swatted with sticks, doused with cheap perfume and sprayed with cold water — and then they have to give Easter eggs and booze to their attackers!

"I hate Easter," grumps 23-year-old Prague journalist Iveta Pilochova. "I always get thrown into the bathtub."

The holiday hi-jinks begin after Mass on Easter Sunday, when men and boys cut willow branches and fashion them into whips. Then they prowl the town swatting and man-handling girls and women — and their victims are then supposed to reward them with colored eggs or shots of vodka or brandy.

The pagan pummeling started centuries ago, when naughty boys peeked under girls' dresses by lifting their skirts with a willow switch. Someone decided they could get away with the prank if they called it "a fertility ritual."

Followers claim it bestows everlasting youth on the victim — even if her youth is long gone.

"Every woman in the room gets it," says Peter Lebeda, 28, of Prague. "But you probably wouldn't

VOODOO NURSING HOME SHOCKER!

A NURSING HOME may have fallen under the spell of an evil voodoo curse during a union election, so the results could be thrown out.

Workers voted to form a union at Mount Sinai St. Francis Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Hartford, Conn., on March 31. But witnesses said they saw voodoo signs being made before the vote, which could have scared the many Haitian-Americans who work at the home.

They said they saw lines of pennies, half-empty water cups and a voice say-

hands before the vote — which could have been designed to fix the vote!

"If there was a group of people afraid of voodoo, your mind could be swayed," dietary aide Barbara White Brown testified at a hearing by the

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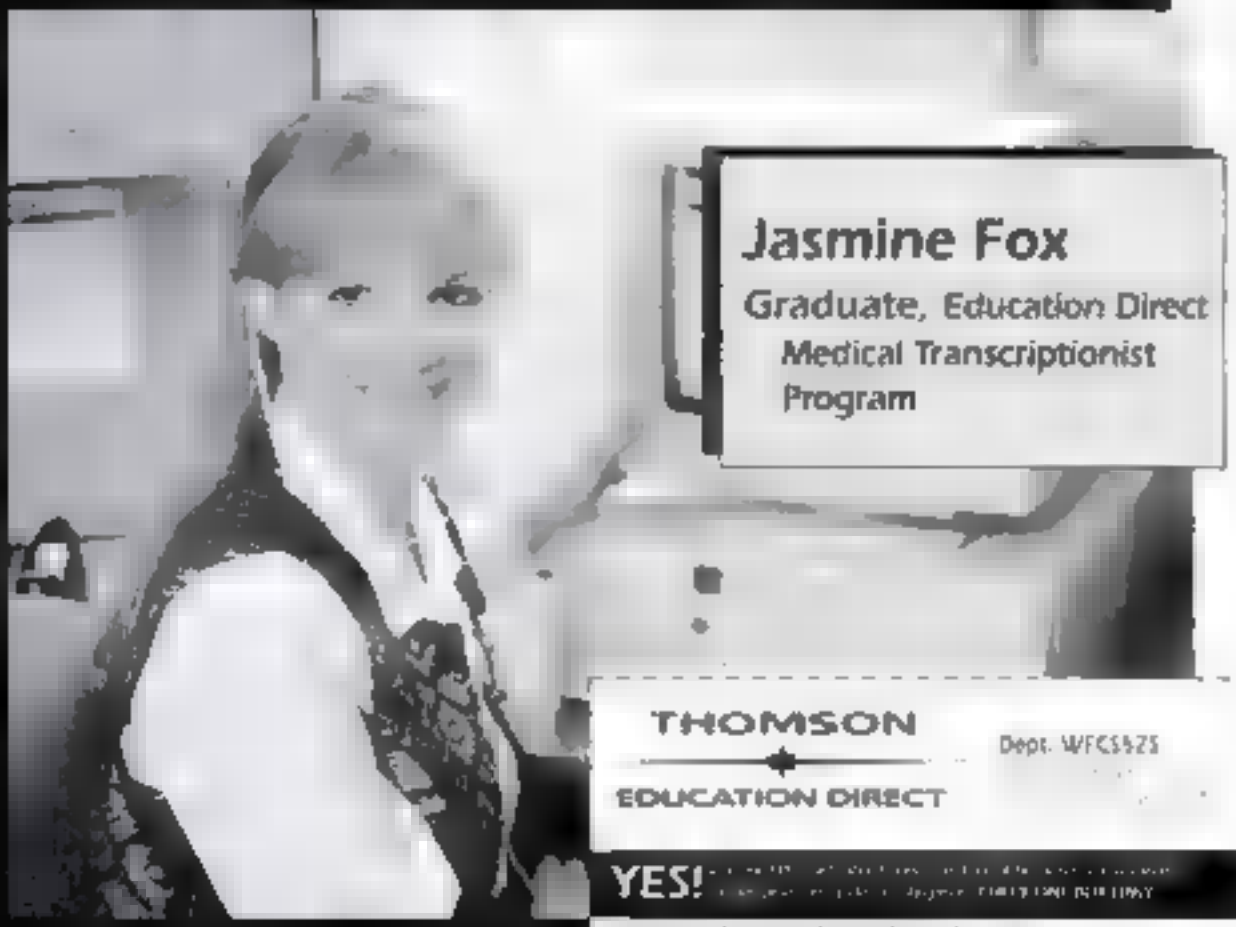

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BAT BOY SAVES $

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BAT BOY saved at least 350,000 lives when he courageously ignored his own safety to [illegible] a "dirty bomb" bound for our nation's capital!

The radioactive terror weapon was tucked in a small briefcase in the cargo hold [illegible] Argentine jet streaking toward America when the intrepid "whiz" kid put it out of commission, sources claim.

"That bomb was packed with enough industrial-grade uranium 235 to contaminate the entire District of Columbia — and doom the residents to a slow, agonizing death by cancer," confirmed a CIA source familiar with the incident.

[illegible]

the real world, it's hell-bloody close."

The peanut-size half-human, half-bat mutant's act of selfless heroism has earned him a special commendation from U.S. President George W. Bush.

"A few days after the incident President Bush shook [illegible]

Laden as "our prime suspect."

But Weekly World News obtained an exclusive interview with the only witness to the mid-air miracle: Bat Boy's Argentinean sidekick Pedro Simoes.

"In our many adventures together, I've come to know Bat Boy has [illegible]

A GRATEFUL NATION: President Bush poses with the patriotic bat human. Bat has during a special Army Navy ceremony

WASHINGTON FROM BOMB' DISASTER

...& you won't believe how!

because there are Al Qaeda cells operating throughout South America," confirmed the CIA sniper.

Bat Boy quickly became a symbol of hope to the Argentine people - many of whom view him as a living incarnation of Camazotz, the ancient bat god of the Andes.

When Bat Boy received a tip from one of his thousands of devoted followers that a dirty bomb was about to be shipped overseas, he leapt into action.

"With that nose of his, Bat Boy can sniff out an ounce of radioactive material a mile away," says Pedro. "It only took him about two hours to find the right plane."

Eluding the quite frankly poor airport security in Buenos Aires, Bat Boy and his buddy stowed away on the craft as it took off for Washington.

"Bat Boy really did a number on the cargo hold," recalls Pedro. "By the time he was done, every suitcase was busted open and there were bottle rockets, ammunition boxes and toothbrushes all over the place - covered with Bat Boy's teeth marks."

Finally Bat Boy sniffed out the deadly briefcase, which bore a suspicious sticker that read, "Bo bay, mukren," in Arabic.

But when Bat Boy ripped it open, he was faced with a daunting array of wires, flashing lights, plastic explosives and rods packed with radioactive material.

"I worked for two years in my brother-in-law's car-repair shop, so I know something about mechanics, but when it comes to radioactivity I am totally ignorant," humble Pedro admits. "And Señor Bat Boy

EYEWITNESSES say Bat Boy [illegible] and [illegible] the bomb. "I [illegible] there with a pair of scissors and [illegible] my other [illegible] hand.

SLAIN BEAUTY'S GHOST HAUNTS

The tormented spirit of a young beauty who was burned alive at the stake more than 250 years ago still haunts the grounds of a small college where the horrific tragedy unfolded — condemned to roam forever in search of her murdered lover!

By CLIFF LINEDECKER
World News

Van der Meer, her sweetheart her father all ghastly deaths, in a terrible chain of events ignited by a forbidden love Alice's pitiful specter was recently seen by a

of 20 by psychic-medium to the haunted site, known as Gardens, on the campus of College

As the alarmed students gawked in disbelief Alice's eerie, translucent figure materialized — along with

who gasped in recognition as the ghost recounted the drama and revealing her grisly death

"She was a beautiful young thing, with lustrously flowing hair and dressed in a long white and blue lace gown," Mrs. Fisher told Weekly World News.

Today the tranquil botanical gardens are part of the college, but when Alice was one of the outdoor scenes in the recently released movie The Way We Were, starring Robert Redford and Barbra Streisand.

But in the mid-1700s a far different love story played out on that same soil in the lush Mohawk River Valley — a star-crossed romance cut short by an unspeakably savage outburst of violence.

With her waist-length ebony hair and flashing brown eyes Alice Van der Meer was undisputedly the most desirable belle in the valley. But her father Pieter was a mean-tempered recluse who obstinately refused every lovesick young man who came to call on his daughter. One after another, the stubborn Dutchman ran all every one of them at gun-point.

the home of the The first meeting led to others and Alice began to slip away nightly to enjoy a few moments in her lover's arms.

Inevitably Alice's father became aware of her adventures and one moonlit night he picked up his musket and quietly slipped out of the cabin to follow her. Pieter discovered his headstrong daughter in the arms of her lover — and roaring with anger he shot the young man through the heart.

Then he fled dragging the weeping girl behind him.

The townsfolk who heard the screams and the gunshot found the body of Alice's unlucky sweetheart. Alice's lover had bragged of the

it didn't take long to figure out who was responsible for the town's death. Within minutes egged on by members of the dead youth's family a growing mob was screaming for the Dutchman's blood.

Fortunately, tradesmen, even a local preacher, according to

scout accounts scooped up tools, clubs and guns, and set out after him. When the bloodthirsty mob caught up with Pieter, they dragged him to a grove of trees — in an area that is now part of the botanical gardens — and burned him at the stake.

The mob's attention was still focused on the agonized screams of Alice's father as his skin peeled and his

BEAUTY haunts small New York college town was once the site for scenes in the movie The Way We Were, starring Robert Redford and Barbara Streisand.

PSYCHIC Anna Fisher and a group of 20 students experienced the ghostly encounter.

girl ran shrieking from the scene.

It was almost midnight when Alice, her dress torn and her feet shredded and bloodied by sharp rocks and underbrush, stumbled back to the same wooded area where her father was roasted alive, then fell into a brook.

Her parents arrived and pulled her from the stream but their efforts to revive her were not yet satisfied. The mob tied Alice to a stake and burned the innocent girl to death a few feet from the still smoldering corpse of her father.

But Alice's spirit refused to rest. Over the succeeding centuries there have been many strange reports of ghostly presences in the botanical gardens.

A few years ago, intrigued by the tales, Mrs. Fisher went to investigate, along with students from her class in psychic phenomenon.

The students assembled at dusk and while shadows gathered over them formed a circle and joined hands as the Albany medium invoked Alice to leave her unsavory repose in the grave.

"Alice, do you hear me?", Mrs. Fisher called. "We are friends. We have come to help you, Alice, we are your friends. We will not harm you."

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COLLEGE IN SEARCH OF LOVER

Students shocked when spirit of gal burned at the stake appears!

of her. But the creepy visitor wasn't Alice — it was her dead dad!

As the murky form became more substantial, Mrs. Fisher recognized the spectral newcomer as a slender, middle-aged man in Tudor garb.

"It was evident he was frightened, almost as if he was standing in front of an angry crowd trying to plead his innocence of something terrible he was suspected of doing," she recalled.

Only moments later, the figure of the man was joined by new shapes. What appeared as the smoky forms of men and persons in Colonial dress, angrily attacking him with sticks and stones.

Almost as fast as the man and the mob appeared, they vanished.

"It was then," the medium said, "that we began to sense Alice's presence."

The hazy, shimmering female ghost took form — then began to run frantically here and there, apparently in search of her dead lover.

"I saw her scream and then watched the poor thing fall into the brook," the psychic said.

That was enough for Mrs. Fisher and for her class. They broke the circle, the agonized wraith of Alice Van der Veer vanished, and the séance was over.

But the medium later recalled that when the somber group trooped down the hill and approached some tree stumps, she smelled a foul odor "like burning meat."

stump, and Mrs. Fisher said she believed bones were buried about four or five feet underground.

Then one of the students pointed his finger back up the hill they had just walked down, and the medium and other members of her class peered at the top.

Three tombstones which they hadn't previously noticed, were outlined against the emerald sky. But as the group began to walk back up the hill, the stones seemed to shimmer then faded away.

TOWNSFOLK blamed Alice Van der Veer for the death of her boyfriend — and burned her at the stake.

DEAD MAN FLYING

Did oldster croak before or after boarding plane?

AN ELDERLY man may have been dead when he boarded a plane.

James Mark Walsh was put on the America West Express flight in a wheelchair as the plane was boarding in Phoenix. When he got to Des Moines, Iowa, he was dead!

Walsh's son, Mark Walsh, says he's "pretty much convinced" that his 80-year-old dad died before takeoff in the Phoenix airport. But the crew says the dead man's son [illegible] telling them he died was fine throughout the flight.

They say Walsh was slumped over in the wheelchair when he got on the plane with his son — but they swear he was breathing!

"One of our employees assisted in boarding him on the aircraft," says America West spokeswoman Patty Nowack.

"She lifted him out of his wheelchair and felt him breathing."

"We kept checking on him [illegible] were being told that he was fine," Nowack says. "We were told that he was heavily [illegible]."

The Federal Aviation Administration is doing a routine investigation, but cops in both Des Moines and Phoenix say they have no reason to get involved.

YUKI GAL EATS BOOGERS

Mindy Mifflintime sure wore how to get ahead.

The Nairobi, Kenya, lass gobbled up a plate of elephant boogers to win a grass-out contest on a local TV station.

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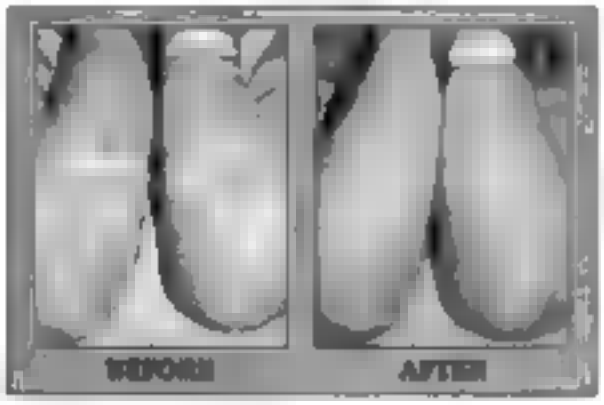

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BEARBACK RIDERS

The world's first identical koala babies cling to their mother's back as they walk around Australia's Koala Sanctuary in Brisbane, Queensland. The healthy 10-month-old twins weigh in at just under three pounds

My America

By ED ANGER

WE'RE IDIOTS IF WE TEACH THE AFGHANS HOW TO FIGHT

"If WE'VE got to equip the Afghans (top), give 'em surplus junk from the Civil War," says Ed.

I'm madder than a drill sergeant with laryngitis over this new plan by the Defense Department to use our troops and tax money to "train" the Afghan army to be real soldiers.

We're talking basic training here, according to what I read. Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld says we're going to teach "basic soldier skills" to these raggedy cave dwellers — stuff like marching, following orders and handling weapons.

It didn't say anything about the "real" soldier skills guys like me learned during basic training — standing at attention for hours in 87 degree heat, spit shining shoes, getting sick on boiling beans, peeling potatoes, sleeping through 2 a.m.-4 a.m. guard duty, picking up cigarette butts and slipping over the lockers of the wimps who are too chicken to blast the enemy to smithereens!

Besides, haven't we already done this? We backed the Afghans against the commie Russkies and even supported a guy named Osama Bin [illegible] and get barrels [illegible] them any kind of close order drill, or how to properly strip and clean their AK 47s, or those old English muskets most of those tribal chieftains have been fooling around since the 19th century.

Let's face it, we'd be better off training the Russians to go back in and mop up. That way, we'd save ourselves some lives and trouble and then, we could step in again when both sides have killed each other off.

That ain't gonna happen, though.

I've got a basement full of army surplus crap and equipment that I'd be happy to let them have as long as they pay me in U.S. greenbacks and not sheep.

● Tell them that only pork-eating cowards — whose prostitute wives wear miniskirts, mascara, and drive cars — hide out in caves.

Real soldiers fight in the open and wear fluorescent orange vests because they're proud to be seen.

● Last of all give them "top secret" instructions like this: "Listen up troops! I am holding a super special United States military industrial complex advanced fragmentation grenade. You must remember to pull the pin and hold the grenade close to your chest for 30 seconds."

That's one bombshell way to solve the problem.

● Give them all our old military surplus hardware. Some M-1's, a bunch of those pie tin World War I helmets, some of those old Jeeps and deuce-and-a-half trucks that never started when we needed them and wound up screwing up guys like me so I got a steel plate in my head when the commies tried to overrun us at Pork Chop Hill.

● Throw in some old P-51 Mustangs, some Civil War cannons sitting around in our town parks and maybe a case of old bayonets and

GAL SNATCHED BY SPACE ALIENS

— because she liked Ally McBeal!

ABDUCTEE Pam McKenna was grilled for hours by space aliens from the planet Chork, before being released.

ACTRESS Calista Flockhart portrays legal eagle Ally McBeal

A TEXAS WOMAN claims she was abducted from her car by tiny yellow space aliens who subjected her to "dreadful rituals" after she told the creatures she was a huge *Ally McBeal* fan!

By [illegible]

"At first, they were nice," says Pam McKenna, a 28-year-old Beaumont resident.

Then, until they were frightened by the spaceships' shaking with tremendous force, they would change the subject and ECHO Superintendent Patrick Lyles. Then he started to scroll talk about how [illegible] Dr. Kevorkian's basketball teams are the best.

My request [illegible] her parole, [illegible] talk turned to [illegible] name was Plork [illegible] Dr. Dreger.

So I sometimes [illegible] doing [illegible] I'd [illegible] like Ally — putting my feet in my mouth, and [illegible] unprofessional [illegible] sex.

Plork had this disgusted look on his crusty face. McKenna recalls, and his crumbs were turning green [illegible] helped. [illegible]

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WEIGHT LOSS: NEW DEVELOPMENTS, FINALLY...

See what this Chinese physician - who specializes in "difficult cases" - does when a woman has trouble losing weight and...

... here's why the amazing complete weight-loss plan that she uses to help her patients lose weight is sent on a risk-free trial basis to all readers of this publication who send their name and address to the address indicated below, before May 3, 2002.

If you have trouble losing weight, or if you regain the weight lost each time, here's how you can finally lose, once and for all, 10, 20, 40 or even more than 80 pounds in record time, thanks to the revelations made below by Dr. Meixin Qu*, combined with a natural weight-loss product in caplets that you can try on a risk-free trial basis.

Exclusive:
The revelations of Dr. Meixin Qu*

GUANGZHOU (CHINA) – My name is Meixin Qu. I'm a doctor of medicine and a specialist in weight problems.

For more than 10 years, I have used a weight-loss plan in my clinic that gives results like I've never heard of elsewhere in this very day. That's why more and more of the patients who come to see me (including men and women who, after having tried everything else, consider themselves to be difficult, even desperate cases).

As you will see in an instant, this weight-loss plan is completely natural, without any risk to your health. You will lose weight quickly and never cause weak, consuming to eat everything you like and without feeling sensations of fatigue. By following my weight-loss plan, diet and exercise (to have great days or other methods), without success have lost up to 12 pounds in the first week. Then they continued to lose up to 4 to 6 pounds per week until they reached their ideal weight.

Is there any proof that anybody can lose weight?

The weight-loss plan reveals to the principles of Chinese medicine [illegible] have been proven for years.

After doing some special studies on weight loss problems, I asked myself two questions:

1) Why is it that there are people who are fat, but eat like birds? Or [illegible] dieting and can't manage to lose weight, no matter what they try?

2) Why is it that there are other people who can eat whatever they like and never gain weight?

Perhaps you've asked [illegible] questions, without being able to answer them. This problem has been of great interest to me for a long time, as perhaps it has also been yours. It is the answer to these two questions that made it possible for me to discover the weight-loss plan for helping people "who had never been able to lose weight."

Following years of in-depth research projects, tests, and hundreds of clinical observations, I arrived at the following conclusion:

[illegible] individuals who can eat anything they want, and remain [illegible] without ever getting fat, possess metabolisms that burn up all the calories they consume.

However, people who get fat despite their normal or even small diets, have metabolisms [illegible] fail to consume enough calories.

Here is an illustration of this principle: [illegible] you allocate with.

A properly functioning fireplace will burn [illegible] wood, even if it is wet. [illegible] will burn [illegible]. The combustion will have been complete. And the worse the fireplace works, the less complete the combustion and the more left-[illegible] will accumulate.

In the same way, those people who possess metabolisms that don't work well don't burn enough calories. This leaves leftover food products [illegible], which then are transformed and stored as fat.

Consequently, it is the proper functioning of the metabolism that makes people remain thin (even if they eat a lot), while conversely, poor metabolic functioning makes people get fat (even if they eat a little, as normally).

For most of us, [illegible] children, our metabolism [illegible] fairly well and we could eat as much as we wanted without ever getting fat. It is only later, usually between the ages of 20 and 30, that our metabolism begins to work less well and to burn fewer calories than we consume.

After years of study and research, I discovered that it is possible to naturally balance the process of caloric consumption by your body. This weight-loss plan enables your body to burn more calories than you consume. Consequently, there is no "low-calorie diet" to follow. There is absolutely no strenuous exercise to perform. And, of course, there is no medication at all to take.

All you have to do is to follow my weight-

BEFORE AFTER

At last, thanks to Metabolism Booster™ Weight-Loss Plan, I have lost the 45 pounds I was overweight. In only 5 weeks!

"I've been trying to lose weight for years. You have to know what it's like to look at the scales and feel ashamed to undress when I mean. I tried all the diets and tested all the weight loss plans. It cost me a small fortune. [illegible] with nothing to show for it.

Then, one day, I was told about the Metabolism Booster™ Weight-Loss Plan. It helped even the most difficult cases lose weight. So I tried the new weight loss plan.

I have lost 45 pounds scientifically in only 5 weeks. Without denying myself anything. It is marvelous to be slim. It's the beginning of a new life. My husband has been delectable with me ... he doesn't lose any occasion to take me in his arms and show me with gestures that my body pleases him!

I have gotten the old joy of life back again. One morning, I surprised myself by singing in the shower. I hadn't done that for a long time!"

Evelyn Garcia

Doctor Meixin Qu: "You may have already tried diets, exercises, medications or even other methods in order to lose weight. But I'd like to ask you: Have you ever lost as much weight as you'd hoped and did you stay slim afterwards?

If nothing has really worked for you until now, you must absolutely ask yourself two questions...

It's the answer to those two questions, revealed below, that has permitted me to help so many women – who have tried everything, without result – lose weight and keep it off. What's more, if you believe that you're a difficult or particular case, you must try the caplets that I use in my clinic to help my patients lose weight. Each full bottle of 60 caplets will last you for about one month. And if you respond before May 3, 2002, they are sent to you on a risk-free trial basis (see below)" ...

loss plan in order to naturally increase your metabolism of fat. In addition to diet, take one capful of *Metabolism Booster*™ before each meal. It contains 7 specific specially-formulated ingredients to trigger and accelerate your body's metabolism and elimination of fats.

Metabolism Booster™ is a unique and safe blend of natural substances to help you eliminate excess fat and boost your energy level. This unique formula offers a special blend of key protective nutrients which include vitamins, amino-chelated minerals, natural herbs and a special blend of hormone and energy boosters such as Ashwatra 2%, 5-HTP, chromium, bee pollen, Korean ginseng, magnesium and lecithin.

Metabolism Booster™ formula does not include ephedra (Ma huang) or any similar product which may result in nervousness, weakness and insomnia.

The exclusive research blend of natural substances in *Metabolism Booster*™ works at the cellular level to safely boost your body's metabolism furnace.

If I have succeeded in helping so many difficult cases lose weight — people who had tried everything and had never been able to lose weight — it is quite simply because I have discovered a natural, safe weight loss plan of revitalizing the proper functioning of the metabolism.

Since you lose weight the same way as people who can eat anything without ever gaining weight do, this formula always works.

There is nothing mysterious about this weight-loss plan. It simply forces your body to "burn" the fat instead of accumulating it. Approximately 24 hours after you have started to follow the weight-loss plan, your body begins to lose and evacuate the accumulated fat more quickly than anything you've ever tried before. Since the excessive calories are burned off, they won't be transformed into fat. You lose your excess pounds and inches day after day. The first week you can lose up to 2 pounds per day.

Your metabolism is activated in a way that is completely natural. Show my weight-loss plan to your doctor or pharmacist. They'll confirm it for you. With my weight-loss plan, your metabolism is working well, you feel good, full of energy — and you lose weight.

And the weight loss is totally astounding. You don't have to do any special exercises, you make no effort, and you eat normally. This is because you are losing your weight in exactly the same way as the people who eat all they want to without ever gaining weight.

Dr. Marion Go

Is there proof of results that have been obtained?

1. The proprietary blend of ingredients in the *Metabolism Booster* formula is supported by scores of scientific studies which offer conclusive proof of the phenomenal fat-burning and muscle sparing effects. Read these 3 examples:

...ers confirmed that "significant weight loss was observed" and that it may be safe to use in the long term treatment of obesity.

American Journal of Clinical Nutrition

...In a double blind study of obese women, medical scientists confirmed "a significant loss of fat and sparing of muscle" over a two-month trial.

Diabetes, Obesity and Metabolism

2. Here's what leading medical doctors are saying about *Metabolism Booster*™ ...

"Thanks to the powerful and synergistically researched ingredients in *Metabolism Booster*™, we patients have experienced significant weight loss results without dangerous side effects."

Dr. Bradley Friedman M.D.

"I strongly advise my patients who want to safely lose excess fat and increase their energy to take *Metabolism Booster*™ as a proven dietary nutritional fat burning formula which demonstrates dramatic weight loss results."

Dr. M. N. Savoja, M.D.

"The scientists formulated *Metabolism Booster*™ combines the most powerful natural fat burning ingredients for individuals to permanently rid themselves of unhealthy excess weight. *Metabolism Booster*™ is the first I have encountered to perform safe and rapid weight loss."

Dr. Marion Zamora, M.D.

3. Here are some examples of results obtained from people who have used the *Metabolism Booster*™ Weight Loss Plan:

I dropped 16 pounds pronto month

"There are few or no weight loss secret that hasn't worked. I've dropped 16 pounds pronto month without having to go on a diet. I'm finding it easy to keep it off for the first time in my life."

Susan Mayer, Ohio

I lost 27 pounds in 7 weeks without changing my eating habits

"I consider *Metabolism Booster*™ a miracle! The last 27 pounds in just 7 weeks without changing my eating habits. The nice thing is that I've lost 4 inches off my waist, 3 inches off my buttocks and 3 inches off my thighs. I feel great and had no side effects. The only way I should you is by spreading the word to everyone."

Rosemarie Turner, Florida

I've lost 40 pounds and have maintained it for a year...

"*Metabolism Booster*™ Weight Loss Plan has changed my life. I had just given up on losing weight permanently because I've tried everything under the sun. My sister and ...ers... I've lost 40 pounds and have maintained it for a year now. And I have just had breakfast, the same as my dinners. Thank you so much."

Laura Alfaro, California

The results are so certain that you pay only AFTER losing weight

What more proof can Owen Beyer USA (the exclusive distributor for the U.S.) give you than the *Metabolism Booster*™ Weight Loss Plan works, than to tell you that "Pay for the *Metabolism Booster*™ Weight Loss Plan only AFTER you are totally satisfied"

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Important

Because this is a special offer with no obligation to buy, we can only guarantee it to those people who call or visit the web site before May 1, 2002. After this date, the orders will be filled and the supply of weight-loss plans for the special risk-free trial has been exhausted.

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You risk absolutely nothing to receive, for a risk-free trial and with no obligation to buy, the Metabolism Booster™ Weight Loss Plan.

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If you return the remaining bottles during that period your account won't be debited.

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FROM FLYBOY TO FLYGIRL

Air Force hunk has sex-change operation!

THE military brags that if you send them a boy, they'll send you back a man. But burly Michael Sowry, who joined Britain's Royal Air Force, has turned into a woman!

FROM Michael to Michelle. Tired of being a lie, the RAF corporal opted for a sex-change operation in 1990.

Knock, Knock, who's there?

MISSING MONKEY COMES HOME

JAKE spent a three-day vacation monkeying around in a neighbor's tree house

JAKE the capuchin monkey was on the lam for three days from a home where he was in training to become a helper for disabled persons. But his vacation ended when his new pals found his rightful owners.

It was a relaxing vacation for 14-year-old Jake, who spent the time hiding around a tree house and gorging on fruit and peanut butter.

Jake had disappeared from the home he'd shared for seven years with a family in Stockton, Calif. His owners, Fernando and Terri Aranda, had been training him to become a disabled aide monkey.

The day after he walked away from his family, the little imp strolled casually to Sherman Scotto's house and knocked on the front door.

"He was waving and knocking at the window to get my attention," said Scotto, who gave Jake peanut butter bananas and water.

Then Jake climbed Scotto's tree house, and spent the next two days there, feeding a neighbor, Peggy Giglio, fed peanut butter and fruit to Jake and brought him stuffed animals.

Then Scotto and Giglio saw a newspaper story about the missing monkey, which needs a daily insulin shot — and reunited him with Fernando.

"He screamed when he saw me," Fernando said.

Giglio said the experience has made her think about becoming a foster parent. Scotto just likes having a funny story to tell.

"A monkey knocking on your door," he said. "Imagine that."

Classroom horror! Boy attacked by teacher's wolf

A CLASS to teach kids not to fear wolves was interrupted when a little boy was attacked by the animal being used in the lesson!

"This is an accident that was waiting to happen," fumed Ralph Rivers, spokesman for the Animal Services Department of Riverside County, Calif. "Wolves have a wildness that can't be bred out of them."

Dora Natali had brought a wolf-dog hybrid named Dakota to a shopping center in Menifee, Calif., for his Wolf Wildlife Education program. The class teaches youngsters that wolves aren't ferocious, fearsome beasts, and can be safely approached.

Suddenly, Dakota leaped at 10-year-old Taylor Sloane and dragged the child 20 to 40 feet although Natali said it couldn't have been more than four feet since he had Dakota on a leash.

"I was screaming, 'Somebody help my son,'" said Taylor's terrified mom, Sharman Sloane, "and he was screaming, 'Mommy, help me!'"

Natali insisted Dakota was being playful and just teased some of the boy's ice cream.

Taylor was treated for puncture wounds, scrapes and bruises, and Dakota was captured and placed under quarantine. Natali may

PLAYING or preying? Dakota's owner claims that his wolf-dog was playing with the 10-year-

TIGERS like this one are ferocious and mean — something a South African robber found out too late

CHOMP! Robber who hid in zoo killed by tigers

A THIEF escaped the law after robbing a zoo — and wished he hadn't got away.

He was ripped to pieces by [redacted] instead of being arrested.

The 18-year-old man had rubbed a wonder at the entrance to the Rhino and Lion Nature Reserve, which is west of Johannesburg, South Africa, and then broke in.

employee ran after him, so the thief ducked into a tiger cage.

Inside the cage, he was mauled to death by the

Dear Dotti

AMERICA'S MOST OUTSPOKEN

I'm gonna swap my wife for my best friend's truck

Dear Dotti: My best friend recently told me he thought my wife was so hot that he would like to sleep with her. I am not sure how to respond. On the one hand I am very offended and want nothing more to do with him, but on the other he is a really good friend and has a truck I like to borrow when I go fishing. What should I do? — Torn in Tennessee

[illegible] suggested the problem. Afterwards they towed me back to my hotel room and haven't returned since. I am worried that I will not see him again and that he no longer

I've been abandoned by my alien abductor!

Dear Dotti: I was recently abducted by aliens and fell for the commanding alien, the one who

WRITE TO DOTTI PRIMROSE

Send Dotti your letters and questions — and let her [illegible]

[illegible] experts are after this encounter. Is there anything I can do to show him how much I care? — Alien Lover in Louisiana

CONFIDENTIALS

May-December Romance in Terre Haute: If the first thing [illegible] might not be the best condition for your [illegible] time since to someone with a [illegible]

Wants Out in Waukesha: Don't let the door hit your butt on the way out, Dustin! He cheated on you and don't be surprised if he comes crawling back when you come running home.

Shell-shocked in Chicago: No, I'm not shocked that [illegible] security wouldn't let you take a flaming gun as carry-on luggage, but trust me, you'll be reading this in whatever jail cell you're in by noon. I hope they throw away the key!

Dotti Hater in Hawaii: As long as you [illegible] my name right, don't give a [illegible] how you're behind what you think of me. Get back to me by 10 a.m. which is more than you can say

I'm getting the cold shoulder [illegible] out on my friend

Dear Dotti: I have an admirable [illegible] with whom I've had a good friendship for about two years now. Last month I was feeling depressed and decided to let him know about my feelings. But while I was doing it I simply broke down and started crying. Since then I can tell he's been uncomfortable with what I told him. I want everything to go back to what it was like before. What can I do? — Spilled the Beans in San Diego

My full-grown son's still living like a child

Dear Dotti: If you let your 35-year-old son live with you, and [illegible] trying to help him get on his feet, and you're giving him a car, shouldn't he respect you and quit drinking, quit being outside [illegible] and get helping out around the home and find a job? — Mad Mom in Mapleton

NOAH'S ARK F
ON MARS

EXCITED astronomers
**what appears to be an immen
high on a mountain
peak on Mars!**

By GEOR

The astounding March 11 discovery made at the Boss Waterhaus Observatory in Johannesburg, South Africa, comes just weeks after University of Arizona scientists announced their finding that a huge flood swamped the Red Planet in ancient times.

And at least one expert believes the proves that the Noah story is not fiction but actually took place on Earth!

Dr. [illegible], noted author, theologian and magazine columnist, said that the Noah deluge not only did take place on Mars, but also left behind the remains of Noah's Ark!

"The tale of Noah's Ark found in the Book of Genesis may have

ACTUAL PHOTO of Martian mountain peak with ark-like vessel perched near the summit. Below, is artist's conception of what Noah's Ark looks like according to descriptions in the Bible. The vessel was 450 feet long and 45 feet high.

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...bvious to me that ...some kind," said an ...NASA Jet Propulsion ...Pasadena, Calif. "It ...coincidence going to ...into the history books."

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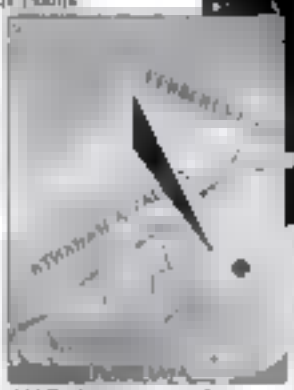
...ident Devon Burr and ...scientist Alfred S. ...an reached the star... conclusion after ...analyzing images from ...two Mars Orbital



MAP of Martian surface where ark was discovered.

...area that's ...been dubbed the Athabasca Valley channel system, the researchers discovered streamlined flat-topped ...mesas they say could only have been formed by prolonged, extensive flooding.

Intriguingly, they believe the flood came not from ordinary rainfall but a super massive devastation unlike anything scientists have ever encountered before.

"The water source is nothing like we have on Earth," according to Burr, whose amazing discovery was reported in *Geological Research Letters*.

"The water here gushed from volcanic-tectonic fissures. While the fissures themselves may be older, the latest eruption of the water was probably only about 10 million years ago."

...ago ...
...is ...
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...readers of the Bible ...scholars have calculated was the date of the Great Flood.

According to the familiar Bible story, God became angered at mankind's wickedness and decided to wipe out everyone except the devout Noah, his family and representatives of every animal species.

He ordered Noah to build a ship meeting very particular specifications.

"You shall make a window for the Ark ... and set the door of the Ark in the side," God commanded. "You shall make it with lower, second and third decks." (Gen. 6:16)

That blueprint closely matches the newly found vessel, which appears to have three distinct decks, the South African astronomers say.

"It's very hard to write that off as ...

...now ...
a riddle that ...
...archaeologists and theologians ...

"The Bible says that the entire planet was covered with water, but there's no geological evidence that happened on Earth in the era of mankind," says the Reverend Alistair Hanley, whose Dutch Reform church is near the observatory.

"For those of us who believe in a literal interpretation of the Bible, that's always been a bit of a puzzle. Now everything is falling into place."

Dr. van der Haas says it's possible that millions of years ago before the dawn of human civilization, ancient astronauts from Mars rediscovered Earth — and brought the history of the disaster with them.

"That would explain why versions of the Great Flood story can be found on every inhabited continent, and in so many ...

...Gilgamesh, the astronomer of Nippur.

Scientists believe that in the centuries after the Great Flood, the waters receded and now remain locked in ice pockets around the Red Planet.

The discovery of the Ark is only the latest pointing to intelligent life on Mars, including the famous Sphinx-like Face on Mars photographed by NASA's Viking space probe in 1976 and images of what look like ruins of pyramids.

"Given the discovery of so many man-made monuments on Mars — including canals — the sighting of a boat would not be and of itself be surprising," notes Dr. van der Haas. "But its resemblance to the Bible's Ark suggests much of human civilization, and perhaps even our species itself, originated on the Red Planet."

Meanwhile, church leaders say the discovery shouldn't rattle Bible believers.

"Whatever else," declared Rev. Hanley, "this confirms once again

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DOPE OF THE WEEK

AN ELDERLY moron in Britain decided to deal with his cavity problem with a toothbrush, but this cavity was below his waist — in his hemorrhoid-inflamed butt!

The 66 year old married man told doctors he "slipped" while brushing his gums and "lost" the toothbrush up his behind.

He had brushed so thoroughly that doctors couldn't find the dental device until an X-ray located it jammed in his pelvis.

Surgery was needed to extract the toothbrush, which reportedly wasn't used again either to relieve painful rectal itching or for its original purpose.

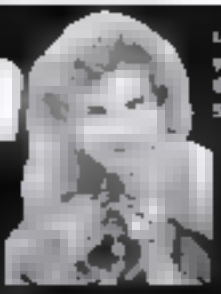
According to the *British Dental Journal*, this is only the second recorded case in England of someone not knowing their butt from their hemorrhoids.

But articles entitled Rectal Foreign Bodies in a 1984 issue of *Surgery Magazine* and Foreign Bodies in the Rectum in a 1992 issue of *Short Practice of Surgery* detail a painful list of bizarre objects inserted by idiots on both sides of the Atlantic who didn't know which end was up.

They include:

- A live artillery shell, also inserted by an elderly Brit suffering from hemorrhoids. "Which needed careful handling" and required a military bomb squad to construct a lead shield around his posterior in the event of an anal explosion.
- Dried concrete mix, extracted after an "enema" given by the guy man's partner.
- A variety of produce, including salami, zucchini, bananas, a condom-covered plantain, potatoes and apples.
- A frozen pig's tail, a "kangaroo tumor" spectacles, magazines, cue ball, baseball, cold cream jar and a bottle of perfume called "Impulse Body Spray."

Serena Sabak



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I'm dying to join the 'mile-high club'

Dear Serena: All my life, I've dreamed about joining the "mile-high club," and I'm about to take a trip to Europe with my new girlfriend. I think this will be a great opportunity to realize this goal. How can I convince my new sweetheart to join the club with me?

Fantasizing in Ozark

★ ★ ★

Dear Serena: The last of our children has gone to college, and after 20 years of marriage, my husband and I are experiencing [illegible] being alone. I suppose we were going to talk it out and have fun, but all the pot smoke to have gone out of our lives and [illegible] Mr. husband started doing [illegible] ways to stay away from home than actually being here. I [illegible]

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Dear Serena: I recently met a man who is quite kind about his age. He's 32 and I'm 24. But since knowing him, I've become increasingly attracted to him. And there are a lot of numerical coincidences. The last four digits of my phone number are 5227. He was born in 1951 and I was born in 1977, and we were both born in May on even numbered days. His address [illegible] — is the same year his grandmother was born. He has three children and I have two brothers. Am I making significance out of coincidence or should I let them go? Numerology Nut in Kansas

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PERSONAL TO:

Looking in Lodi: Your search will end in six weeks and you'll find your real brother.

THIS WEEK'S SIX LUCKIEST LOTTO NUMBERS

Weekly World News has purchased exclusive rights to the world's most powerful computer — and we use it to pick the six luckiest lottery numbers every week!

The Swiss-built computer, called Bright Green, has the ability to calculate which lottery numbers are most likely to come up each week, based on previous performance and established tendencies. The numbers are good for the week Weekly World News is on the newsstand.

The computer scans all numbers selected in lotteries across America over the past year to provide a statistical base for predicting future results. More value is given to the most recently selected numbers.

Using all available data, the computer picks the luckiest numbers for each week. By children with lottery

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Fortune Cookie

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ORIENT 2 3 4 5 6 7

What's your secret message from the Fortune Cookie this week? It's easy enough to decipher. Here's the key to decoding your message:

If the number of letters in your first name is 5 or less, subtract that number from 7. If there are more than 5 letters in your first name, subtract the total from 13.

Now take the result and find your last letter in the word ORIENT above. Starting at the upper left corner of the box at left, check each one of your key letters as it appears from left to right. The letters below each of your letters are not a coded

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ACROSS

1 Eke out a living (3 wds)
8 Worldly, sophisticated
12 TV, — tube
14 Hawaiian dish
15 Racing circuit
16 "— Ha!"
19 Use gymnastic bars
20 Jeers' mocks
21 Secured a vessel
23 Big numbers
25 Gambler's venue
26 Zurich native
27 Hyper (Sl)
28 Evoke a response
30 Indian currency
31 Paddles
34 Shoe part
35 Take for ransom
36 Prejudice
40 Dim mixer
41 "— Yankees": Broadway musical
43 Electrical units
44 Electric fish
45 Boat tip
47 Was in debt
49 Ostrich cousins
50 Allows
51 German sub (Hyph)
52 Funnyman Bill, for short
54 Jungle cat
56 Branches
58 Cedar Rhapsody
59 Digestive organ
63 — Ark
66 Visual aids
68 Inclines upward
70 Wake-up signal
71 Nestlewear
73 Pining for
76 Tall-tale teller
77 Similar
78 Sinbad's partner
81 Yuletide season (Abbr)
82 Naval vessel: Abbr
84 Misplaced one
86 Portions
87 Underground passage
88 Fitting, proper
90 Gear part
92 Actor Guinness
94 Poetic black
96 Lured
97 Geek
98 Before caustic or dynamic
100 Actor Marshall
101 Brag
102 System of belief
103 Slow-shell dweller
104 Bring about
105 Luxurious fabric
107 Erotic, provocative
109 Military men
111 Aromatic plants
112 Gretel's brother
114 Small river
116 Fastening strip
117 Dracula's weapon
118 Apply lightly
119 Public vehicle
120 Dull, dreary
123 Unchangeable one
125 Feared
128 Baby's apron
129 Singer Dee
130 Jackson or Mulgrew
131 — out, debated
132 Japanese robots
138 Word for word
138 Streetcar
140 Drug police
141 One — — million
143 Young girl
144 Stress senses
147 Climbed up
148 Clumsy person (Sl)
151 Uses a phone
154 Searcher
156 Leg joint
159 Derby, turf and toque
160 Fiscal plan
161 Assumed name
162 Laurel's partner
167 Dust from the game
168 Adjust a garment
169 Harmonique, in —
170 Arose
171 Liberace, for one
174 Risk-assets document
176 Land measurement
177 Before, to a poet
178 Italian island
181 Process food
183 Shrimp dish
185 Seek to the bone
187 Saucer raids
188 Tip top (2 wds)
190 Foot the bill
191 Biblical book
192 Tats and tails
193 Botcheed
195 Soup decoder
197 Reserved and remote
199 Type of pie
202 Skin preparation
204 Disco sidestep
206 Cosmetic surgeons
209 Goodbye, in Mexico
211 Quasar pronoun
213 Penned
215 Mr. Ramos
216 Bulbous vegetable
217 Resisting agent
220 Private conduit
222 Desk bills
223 Female saint (Abbr)
225 Shooters club, for short
227 Church song
229 Region
231 Tip — of the pen
232 Catch sight of
233 Lampoonery
235 Against prefix
237 "To — his own"
238 Step
239 Sloppy one
241 Gem weight
243 Portals
243 On (sex)
246 Decently
248 Dairy product
247 A gentleman may prefer this
248 Kitty bristles
249 Fuzzy
250 College courses, pre- —
251 Tiny
252 Alleviate
253 Santa's night (2 wds)
254 At a great rate, sleighly (2 wds)

DOWN

1 Painful cry
2 Revealing
3 Barcelona locale
4 Whipped dessert
5 Relatively man
7 Reduce one's pace (2 wds)
8 Semper Fi guy
9 Pebble work
10 Most competent
11 Hand or foot feature
12 Storage place
13 The Far East
17 Linger about
18 Cavalry by air (2 wds)
19 Concerning the nose
20 Chubby Checker's dance
22 Train station
24 Nasal cavity
25 One chore
29 "— the season..."
32 Dressing gown
35 Young pig
36 — Dorado
37 "Give — a rest!"
38 Fathered
39 Medical picture
43 Gander
45 Spanish house
46 Drunkard
51 Treacherous
52 Entertainer Holm
52 Seventh wrong happening
54 Spoken for
61 Inspire
62 Deserve
64 Stitched line
65 Take apart
67 Trite expression
69 Delicate
72 Foul odor
74 Toad
76 Teasing
78 Chilled
80 Terminates
83 Photocopied (TM)
87 Actor Robert
89 Cavalry sword
94 Track & field contests
96 Mechanic's needs
99 Passover meal
99 "The Best — Of Our Lives"
90 Red or blue
91 Hold onto
93 Legally accountable
96 Bars
97 Lofty abodes
99 Run amok
105 Peruse a book
106 Concrete component
108 Three feet
110 Game wagers to
112 Boat heaves
113 Worked hard
114 Brogans
115 Certain Socialists
117 Pass out
121 Edible roots
123 "— — were a rich man..."
124 Cable channel
126 Fruit beverage
127 Pitcher's stat
137 Type of cabbage
133 Subcutaneously
134 Bag
136 Thailand neighbor
136 Corporate attacker
137 Singer Lovett
139 Sewer cover
140 Tractor inventor
142 Dotted end —
143 Numbers game
144 Amount consumed
145 Stop immediately
146 Bridle straps
148 Fauny, as plumbing
150 Tiers, as a shoe
151 Netherlands people
152 Contour
158 Remains behind
155 Ethnic
157 Iron ore mineral
158 Greek city
160 Dark shades
163 Fencers' weapon
164 Bumped and climbed
165 Saguaro
166 Kenton or Musial
170 Wall opening
172 Son of Abraham
173 Jeer at
175 Church official
178 Whiskey types
180 College girl
182 Wimbledon star Steffi
184 Charts
186 Sergeants and corporals
188 Fellow player
194 Levels of command
195 Severe pain
196 Baseballer Rose
198 Scandinavian name
200 Wacky
201 Step on — —
203 From now on
205 Let fall
207 Frame of mind
208 Deny a request (2 wds)
210 Islands of Scotland
211 Veiling fabric
213 A dozen less one
214 Theme paper
218 Chicago airport
218 Deep cuts
219 Brings up a child
220 — Moines, Iowa
221 Span
223 Performance platforms
224 Hesitant word
226 Absolutely not
226 Made up for
228 Developmental stages
230 Trip card
234 Fragrance
236 Gaming competition
240 Guillaume Chêpion
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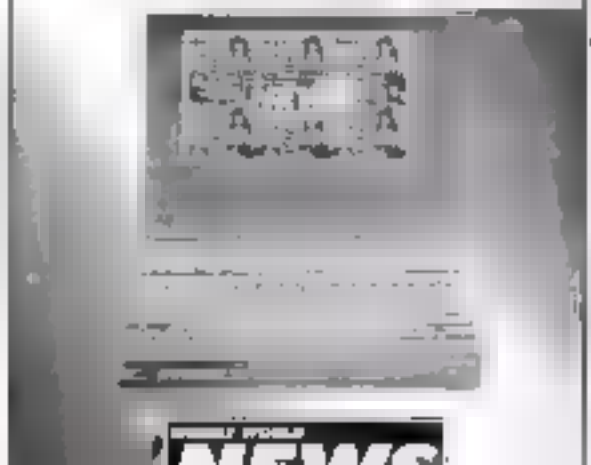

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How would you rate these recent covers of Weekly World News on a scale of 10-1 (10 being the best, 1 being the worst).

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CARJACKING CANINE STOLE MY BABY!

A ROWDY rottweiler stole a car [illegible] lot and took it on a wild five-hour joyride [illegible] 9-month-old baby in the backseat!

Frantic police in Novgorod, Russia, chased the vehicle all over the city before finally finding it driven by the woolly 13 miles out of town. The carjacking canine was nowhere to be found, but luckily, tiny Anton Sedrupov is safe and sound.

"I'm just glad my baby wasn't hurt," says much-relieved mum Alyna Sedrupova 28.

"In fact, the police told me Anton was smiling and giggling when they found him, as if he thought the whole thing was great fun."

The hot rod hound drama began around 1.30 p.m. on March 24, when Mrs. Sedrupov pulled into the parking lot of a shopping strip to drop off laundry.

"I was only running into the dry cleaners for a moment, and I thought little Anton would be all right asleep in his baby seat," she recalls.

"I forgot that I'd left my window down because I was just at a drive-thru ATM."

British tourist Darrel Sunciffe, 31, was in the park-ing lot when the passerby pulled forward to be a run away. Clambered into the car and took the wheel.

"As I turned around, I spotted that huge Rottweiler sitting in the driver's seat and I burst out laughing. He sure 'I thought someone had given him like that as a joke, so I took out my digital camera and snapped a couple of pictures.

"When the dog actually used his paws to put the car into gear and then smoothly reversed out of the parking space I couldn't believe my eyes.

"If I'd known there was a baby in the back, of course I would have tried to stop the car before it pulled out of the parking lot."

When Mrs. Sedrupov came out and saw her car missing, she panicked.

"The Englishman told me he'd seen a dog drive off with my car and at first I thought he was pulling my leg," says Mrs. Sedrupova. "Then he started going 'woof, woof' and I realized he meant it. I nearly died right away."

Good Samaritan Sunciffe flagged down a store security officer who called cops.

Police dispatchers issued an all-points bulletin for the auto and six squad cars took off in hot pursuit, but the crafty canine proved remarkably elusive.

"We figured he'd get a block or two before running into a street lamp," says police spokesman Sgt. Igor Gronsky. "Instead, we kept getting reports from all over the city from citizens who'd seen a car zip by with a dog behind the wheel."

The car reached speeds of up to 45 m.p.h. and mowed down a peddler's cart, a picket fence and a billboard advertising cat food, according to eyewitness accounts.

"It's a miracle no one was killed or injured," says Sgt. Gronsky.

When exhausted cops finally located the car on the side of a rural road, the lead-footed canine was gone, but he'd left [illegible] cat stank to high heaven," reveals Sgt. Gronsky. "And when they got Anton out of the car, he'd done No. 2 in his diaper, too."

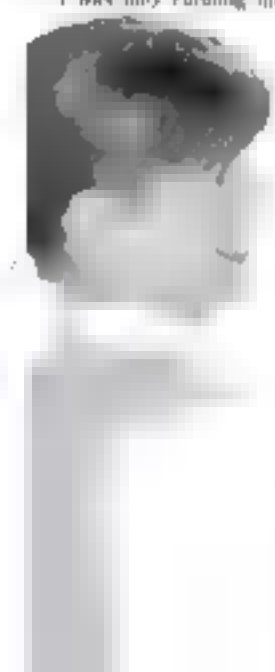
Before the hair-raising doggie-driver incident was reported on TV, authorities have received calls from another 17 witnesses who'd seen the runaway Rottweiler motorist around in various other vehicles – including a tractor-trailer — as long as three weeks earlier.

They explained that they'd kept silent out of fear cops would call them crazy.

"We believe someone once trained this dog to drive, perhaps hoping to get him on a popular Russian TV show that features crazy pet tricks," says Sgt. Gronsky.

"He's actually not a bad driver for a dog, but we do need to catch him.

"Having an animal behind the steering wheel is heavy [illegible]



"I'M JUST GLAD my baby wasn't hurt," says mum Alyna Sedrupov.

A TOURIST snapped this photo just before the mutty pooch drove off.

ROBINSON

He was a rowdy pervert who had sex with goats!

THE real Robinson Crusoe was a boozing, brawling bigamist named Alexander Selkirk, who brought a new meaning to the term "animal husbandry."

Selkirk didn't have a man Friday on his desert island, like book-hero Crusoe, as he corralled a harem of wild goats, picking the prettiest to be his galpals.

And the beast bonking castaway didn't stop simply at sex, writes prize-winning British author Diana Souhami in her book *Selkirk's Island*, which details the seamier life of the man on whom the novel "Robinson Crusoe" was based. The Scottish seaman also got his pubes by breaking the hind legs of his nannies to prevent them from escaping and keep them near for frolics in the hay.

Then, after leaving his way with them he nurtured the bleating beasts' guts to quell his latest cravings!

And when he tired of one, the cold-hearted cad slaughtered and ate his current lover for clothing and food.

"He might have preferred it had the goats been girls," wrote Souhami. But she notes that getting it on with goats was just a handy hop, skip and hump from the ungainly between sailors that went on aboard ships in those days.

"But Selkirk was an abandoned man," she writes. "His animal lover didn't stop at goats either. For a change, the horny castaway sometimes picked a passionate-looking palm tree to rub against."

Besides being kinkier than Crusoe, Selkirk was also a bit tougher. He ran away to sea in the first place to escape an arrest warrant for fighting with his family, and gained a reputation as a hard-drinking thug, who once nearly beat a man to death with his fists.

His diets and living habits hardly improved after he was booted off his ship for fighting with the vessel's officers in 1703. They marooned the rowdy ruffian on Juan Fernandez island 360 miles off Chile, in 1703, where he remained for more than four years before being rescued.

In the novel, Crusoe found his servant Friday along with lobster, rabbits, fruits and, from the wreck of the ship, tools, tobacco, sugar, cheese, knives, forks and enough liquor to last him 28 years.

But poor Selkirk was marooned with one flask of rum that didn't last long and was surrounded by wild animals, including ferocious giant rats that he feared might eat him.

His only weapons against the flesh-eating rodents were homemade clubs, which he also used for forceful foreplay to get his goats

Man trapped in trash bin after trying to rescue favorite sweater

A MAN dived down a garbage chute to retrieve his favorite sweater — and had to be rescued when he got stuck.

Firemen pulled the 25-year-old mug out of the garbage chute of his Stockholm apartment building.

His wife had thrown out his favorite sweater, and the basement door to the trash bin was locked. So he squeezed through the 5-inch access hole on the third floor.

I'm quite small. I knew the garbage would probably be collected early in the morning, so I rushed to save the sweater."

The hard part was getting down through the narrow chute. He got stuck after sliding down one floor. He tried to climb up some knotted bed sheets that he had lowered down for him, but in the end the experts had to be called in.

They also helped him get the sweater — a hand-knit piece his mother had made.

CRUSOE SHOCKER

in the mood for a little lovin'.

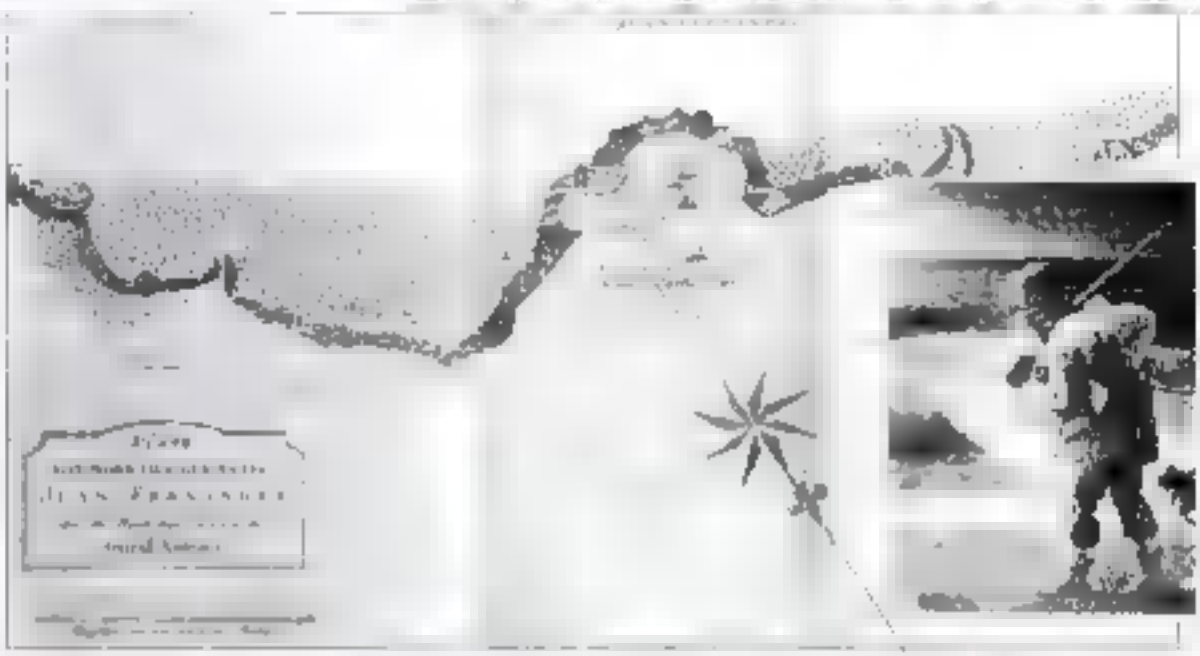
By the time a ship appeared to rescue him, Selkirk was happier on the island than he'd ever been. He had his picks of the litter, so to speak, and no one to nag or challenge him.

Back in civilization, the randy rover launched into raging drunken binges, picked fights and got hitched to two unfortunate gals, forgetting to divorce one before tying the knot with the other.

He finally died at sea from a tropical fever in 1721. He was survived by his [redacted] wives and his harem of captives.

— By JUSTIN MITCHELL

ALEXANDER SELKIRK, the real-life inspiration for the fictional Robinson Crusoe, was abandoned on the island of Juan Fernandez, depicted on the antique map at right.



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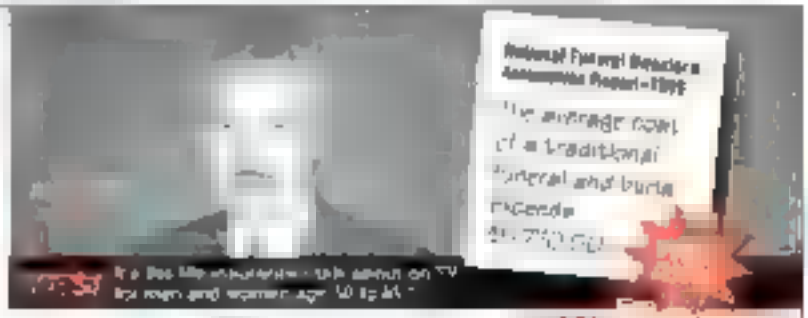

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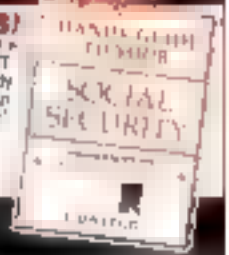

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Baby docs build womb with a view

For many women, the miracle of birth would be pregnancy without morning sickness or stretch marks. And the miracle may one day become real — scientists are working on an artificial womb to grow a baby outside its mother's body!

Researchers at Cornell University are developing the womb, made from the mother's own cells. The idea is similar to the current practice of in vitro fertilisation, in which an embryo is nurtured outside the mother's body for up to 14 days and then planted in the womb. The Cornell team hopes to extend that for beyond 14 days.

Gal locked in morgue with dead dad!

A woman spent a terrifying time locked in a hospital morgue with the corpse of her dead father!

Mary Lu, 50, went to the London hospital just after her dad died. She got trapped with the body when an absent-minded clerk locked her inside the morgue.

Horrified, Mary spent almost an hour banging at the door, pleading for someone to come let her out.

"I shouted myself hoarse and bruised my hands banging on the door," she said. "But nobody heard me.

"I was in an absolutely terrible state."

The hospital has apologised to her and is investigating.

Boy, 6, eats for first time

A 6-year-old boy has eaten the first meal of his life — a burger with lots of ketchup — after having a kidney transplant. Until now, Jack Porter was fed through a tube because of his serious illnesses.

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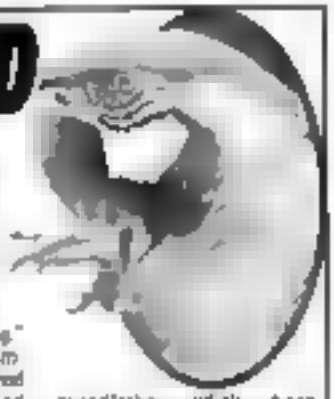
POLITICO GIVES RIVAL THE BIRD

By JASON ARNOLD/Weekly World News

— he hires parrot to run his campaign!



THE only one squawking about Jim Miller's victorious bid for mayor of a tiny mountain town is his campaign manager Jose — a full-feathered, talking parrot!

Miller picked the green and yellow bird to masterminded his election bid for the top job in Nederland, Colo. And residents knew just who to cast their ballots for after attending a rally and hearing Jose screech.

"Vote for Jim! Vote for Jim!"

It's also no coincidence that Miller's opponent — who'd be beat by a squeaky 4-point margin — is named Chris Parrot.

"It takes a parrot to know — and beat — a Parrot," Miller told Weekly World News in an exclusive interview. "He totally accounted for my margin of victory."

Like many political gurus, insiders of Jose's private campaign fairly isn't fit for print. But unlike his political peers, he literally works for peanuts.

"He's a tough nut to crack, but he loves cracking peanuts [illegible] said Miller. "Give him a peanut and he says, 'Vote for Jim.'"

Jose's advice strategy? "He is definitely opposed to a chicken in every pot," said Miller. "But he advised me to build my campaign platform on the mission "love peanuts for everyone" and it worked.

In fact, many people here think Jose would make a better mayor than any human being."

As part of his reelection campaign, Miller also offered political asylum to a deceased French couple who'd been cryogenically frozen and stored in their son in the basement of the family's chateau in the town of Neuilly-sur-Seine.

Miller's town already houses the 1st-year-old corpse of Scott Mansfield, a Nottingham grandfather who's been packed in dry ice in a garden shed since 1967.

"What's the difference between storing frozen loved ones in your basement and cremating them and putting their ashes on your mantel?" Miller said.

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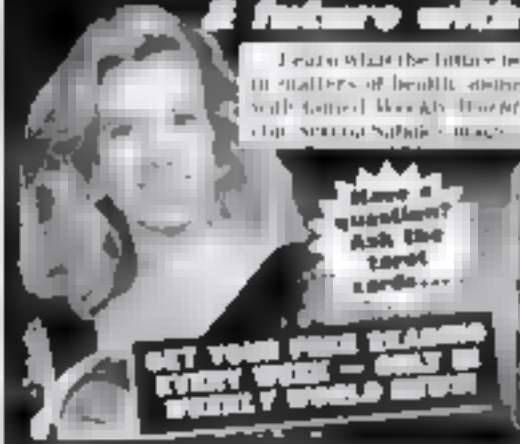

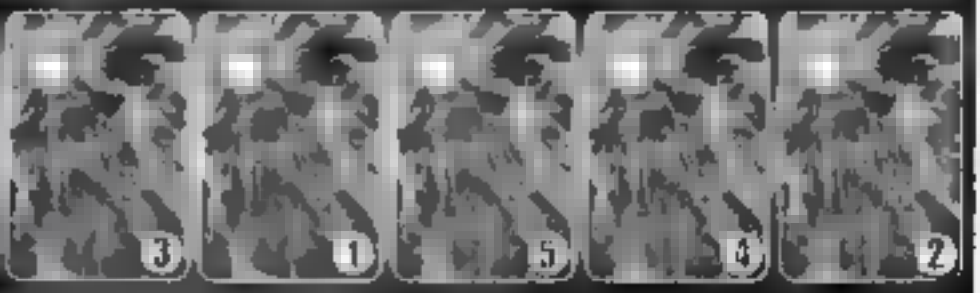

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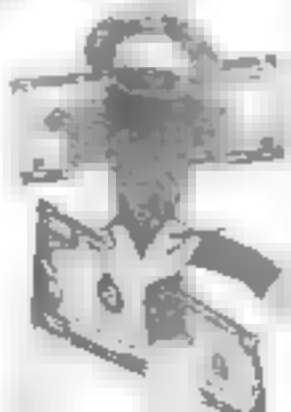

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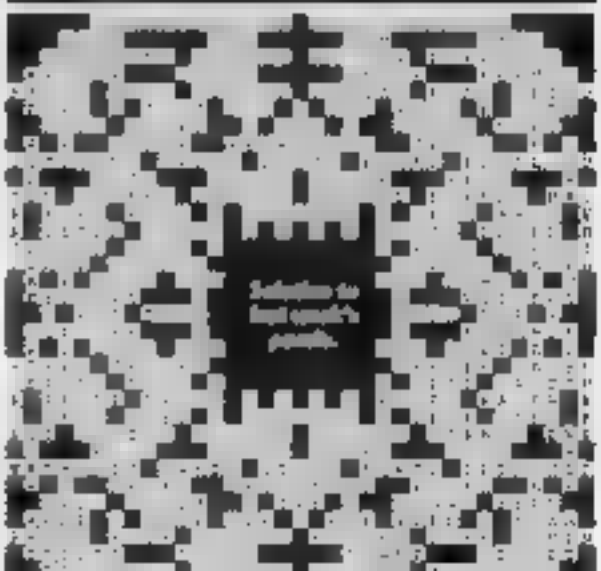

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ARIES

Mar. 21 - Apr. 19

You have many things to do this week, but just can't seem to find the time. Get organized or get help before too much time slips by.

Your luck is about to improve dramatically. Give your partner some credit.

A friend is looking for a shoulder to cry on and you would be wise to share yours. It will only lead to more grief if you get involved.

TAURUS

Apr. 20 - May 20

Someone will try to lead you astray this week. Use common sense and veer off the line a little but not too far. The color green figures in your fortunes.

Use extra caution when it comes to travel plans in the week ahead. Postpone trips if at all possible.

Someone with an "A," "E" or "O" in their name will be the bearer of good news. Celebrate accordingly.

GEMINI

May 21 - June 20

Get your chores out of the way early in as possible this week as you'll be free for a surprise invitation this weekend.

Children play key roles. Treat them as much like adults as possible and you'll find that they can be most accommodating.

Travel can be extremely rewarding this week. Even if it only serves to help you get away from it all.

CANCER

June 21 - July 22

You'll have to hustle to take full advantage of the luck coming your way this week. Enter all the contests and sweepstakes you can.

You're in good financial shape now, so why not live a little? Some new clothes and a night on the town would do wonders for your outlook.

The numbers 2, 17 and 26 may hold the key to some good fortune on the horizon.

LEO

July 23 - Aug. 22

You know what you should do with your life, so stop daydreaming about it and get started. Your actions and plans abroad with your plans, however, add they may seem.

A friend with a money problem will appeal to your sympathy and generosity at the moment. A romantic involvement is going to take a U-turn. Speculative ventures look promising. Keep those [illegible]

VIRGO

Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

Travel and the possibility of [illegible] money will be among the exciting opportunities available to you this week. How you react could determine your future happiness.

Keep plugging away at your job and you will achieve the success you strive for.

Someone with love in his eyes is going to [illegible] Use your charm [illegible] to attract it.

LIBRA

Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Go out and have a little fun this week. Meeting some new people should help dispel the depression that's been creeping up on you.

The color blue is lucky for you. Wear it often and pay attention to those who do.

A battleship has just spilled the beans to someone you love. Don't wait until you're confronted. You need to do damage control now.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23 - Nov. 21

Looking good has been one of your highest priorities lately, but this week you'll have to look even better. If you're unsure, wearing a splash of red or some white will help attract someone you admire.

You inspire tremendous loyalty in your friends and can lend help to someone looking to them and asking for help.

Expect a message with the promise of money.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

You're in for a big surprise this week if you don't stop playing the hot around the one you love. You're loved but some bad habit isn't so clear it.

The numbers 5 and 9 could be lucky or unlucky for you this month. They will touch upon the situation for good or bad.

A couple of [illegible] helping more people will cause some embarrassment.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

Good luck is on its way this week but you'll have to take full advantage of it.

Don't be afraid to take calculated risks. They can pay off big time.

A troubled friend or family member needs your advice and lots of it. Don't want to give your opinion — or it will be too late to do any good.

Avoid animals and children who don't take an immediate shine to you.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

The chance for a great new job could be offered to you. Keep your eyes out for it, but don't jump hastily [illegible] without good advice.

It's time to take a good look at yourself. Is it a pretty sight? Are you on course in your life and finances? If the answers are "no," do something about it.

Someone helpful will turn out to be a double dealer. Be prepared for it.

PISCES

Feb. 19 - Mar. 20

Watch out for added health problems this week. You need to take care of yourself before some serious health issues arise.

Someone who admires you needs a warm shoulder to cry on and a dose of sincere advice. Remember to be a good listener.

Your inner instincts are right on target. Invest in [illegible]

YOUR LUCKY LOTTO NUMBERS

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LIBRA	2, 17, 21, 29, [illegible], 31
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BIT KNOCKS 'EM DEAD

YOU SEE DEAD PEOPLE! Don't worry, so does everyone else at the Body Worlds exhibit – a killer art show put together by Germany's Professor Gunther von Hagens, left

The show of preserved and posed corpses has had showings in Japan, Austria and Germany, and is now smashing 'em dead in London

The vulturous von Hagens takes actual dead bodies and freezes them, then slices and dissects them and replaces their bodily fluids with plastic. Finally, with their bones, muscles and organs all perfectly exposed, he arranges them in eerily compelling positions

Corpses on horseback, a chess-master cadaver and a voluptuously posed mom-to-be with her unborn child clearly visible in her womb – audiences are finding it all deep-down fascinating

Von Hagens — he's the one in the feature – says he wants to give people an eyeful of the human body from the inside out.

People should become more aware of how fragile we are," he says

Not surprisingly Body Worlds has been met with plenty of controversy and criticism from people who say it's ghoulish

"Art should be about pleasure," said one woman "and looking at corpses does not give me pleasure."

But the show has sold out at most of its venues, and whether they like it or not, lots of people are packing in to see it. Von Hagens says some people are even offering to donate part of his next exhibit!

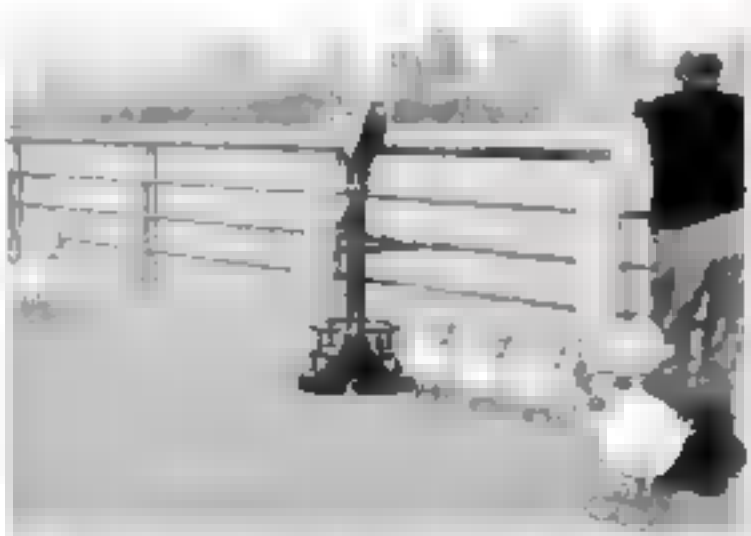
That should prove he doesn't need to rob any graves, von Hagens says. "There are no bodies without consent. I have enough."

BOOST YOUR BRAINPOWER

...with these mental exercises, puzzles, optical illusions and games!

Here's how your grey matter grew!

Below we see a cute family outing. There's Mama duck with her three ducklings. And that must be Papa duck tagging behind. Or is that Papa? Actually he's the very same one as the three ducklings. Could it be another duckling?



WORD PUZZLES

Can you figure these out? The puzzles solve to form a phrase or sentence. For example — in the puzzle to the right, the answer is "mind over matter." Give it a try and make your brain bigger! Check next week's issue for the solutions.

Example:

MIND
MATTER

① Business :o)

② ROBERT D D

③ cirKEEPcle CL UDY

④ MAD MAD U MAD MAD

⑤ HARM god

⑥ hcldl

⑦ NV Crown

⑧ odOoOOmOO

⑨ NT frankfrankRA

Solutions to last week's word puzzles:

1) quitting cold turkey
2) the aftermath
3) count me in
4) go for it
5) an outside chance
6) too big to ignore
7) forgive and forget
8) seesaw
9) excuse me
10) painless operation

Your tarot fortune — Page 10 — REVEALED!

Card No. 3: Ace of Wands
FRESH START

Love: You'll meet someone new, at work or through a co-worker, who'll be quite different from your usual pick. A solid relationship is about to be improved.

Money: An opportunity for a brand-new source of income is about to present itself. This could be an offer to invest or change jobs, but it says likely brighter self-employment.

Health: Even if you're not satisfied with the results of a diet or medical treatment, don't give up just yet. Stick with the program and you'll see results.

Card No. 1: 2 of Pentacles
JUGGLING

Love: The wedding part of is almost over. Expect a letter, perhaps an e-mail, or phone call that promises a reunion and/or romantic interludes. After that, happiness is assured.

Money: A debt or loan will be repaid, with interest. You'll finally get paid for a job done in the past, or a favor that you forgot about will be repaid in a surprising way.

Health: The stress of trying to keep too many balls in the air as soon is starting to get to you. Try letting go of the least important and you'll feel much better.

Card No. 5: 2 of Wands
POSITIVE SIGNS

Love: You seem to need a reminder that you're a real charmer when you set your mind to it. Whether in a relationship or looking, you can depend on charisma to work magic.

Money: To make ends meet for the near future, you may need to take a second job. The best advice for now is don't put all your eggs in one basket. Diversify.

Health: There's an improvement in your health and well-being triggered by a change in your attitude rather than a change in medication.

Card No. 6: 3 of Pentacles
EXPERTISE

Love: If you feel like you've been doing all the giving in your relationship, that's about to turn around. You've about to receive all the yummy stuff love has to offer.

Money: You have a lot of untapped talent. The area in which you are most skilled will now bring you an excellent income or profit. Have faith in your own abilities.

Health: Trust your intuition when it comes to health matters. If you don't like what one doctor said, seek another opinion.

Card No. 2: 5 of Pentacles
REWARDS

Love: There are two love interests in your life and, up to now, you've been paying. Be aware that you will soon be forced to choose your favorite or risk losing them both.

Health: You've been doing what the doctor ordered, or have stuck with the fitness routine no matter how hard it was. Either way, it's finally paying off. Good for you!

Money: The check you're expecting is in the mail; it's just been delayed. If you've been thinking of asking for a raise, now is the time.

EVEN Happy Meals couldn't cheer up distraught kids after they watched in horror as employees cornered a pet rat and beat it to death in a fast-food joint.

"There were screaming kids running everywhere," reveals a woman, who had taken her 3-year-old granddaughter to the McDonald's in Buckhannon, England.

The pet vermin was set loose in the eatery by pranksters, who reportedly wanted to ruin the restaurant's reputation.

But the outraged manager wasn't clowning around when he grabbed a broom and chased after the rodent with the help of other workers. When the critter was cornered, the manager lowered the broom.

But not everyone was happy with the lunchtime execution.

"The last thing I wanted my grandaughter to see was an animal clubbed to death," says the grieving. "I don't want to go back to McDonald's."

Party animals turn into party poopers

IF "all-nighter" started meaning bedtime at midnight when you turned 30, don't think you're the only party pooper. It turns out that most people's social life starts slumping by the time they hit their 30s.

The finding comes from a new study by the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research.

The study says that among 18-year-olds, 52 percent of men and 48 percent of women go out to party more than three times a week. By age 31 or 32, those numbers crash to 15 percent of men and 11 percent of women.

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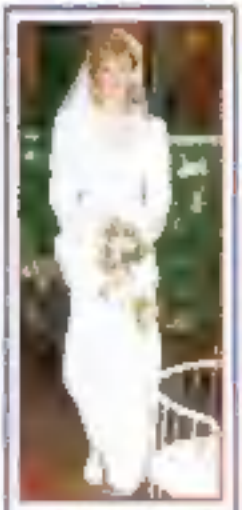

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Only insects have true wings. Other flying creatures, like bats and birds, fly using legs that are modified to be wings.

EAGLES mate while airborne. Elephants get by on only 2 hours of sleep per day. Tarzan's mate Jane's last name was Parker.

That's just a sample of the dazzling trivia that editors and reporters at *Weekly World News* have unearthed while researching all the terrific stories you read in our paper every week. Here's more:

● If you like to inflict pain, you're a sadist — named after the infamous sex fiend Marquis de Sade. The person you're hurting may be a masochist, one who loves to take pain. And that word comes from 19th-century Austrian novelist Leopold von Sacher-Masoch, who wrote a steamy book about the pleasures of pain.

● The *Titanic* had 7,500 pounds of ham aboard when it sank.

● Genius inventor Thomas A. Edison was afraid of the dark. Maybe that's why he invented the lightbulb!

● It takes about 7 billion particles of fog to fill a teaspoon.

● The Paper House at Pigeon Cove, in Rockport, Mass., is made entirely of newspaper — 215 thicknesses of it.

● The Statue of Liberty was shipped from France to New York in crates — filling 214 crates.

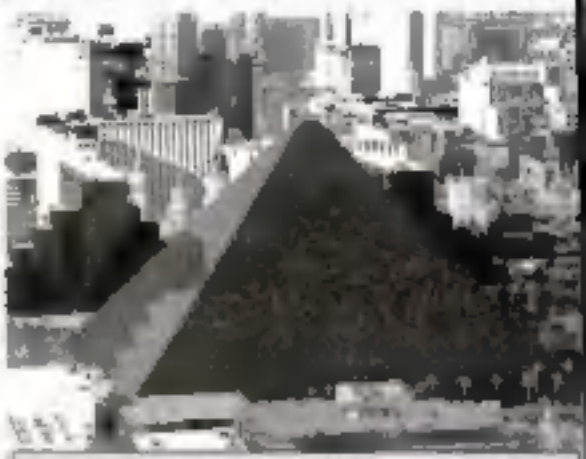
● Time to grow a beard? In his lifetime, the average man will spend 3,350 hours shaving. That's about 19 solid weeks of lathering up and smoothing down, start to finish.

● AT&T says about 122.5 million people call Mom on Mother's Day. The phone giant — which used to be known as Ma Bell — also reveals that 5 percent of those callers make their poor dear mothers pay for the call by dialing collect!

● The flight-data recorder that gives important clues in an airplane crash is known as "the black box." But the box isn't black — it's orange!

● The largest crater that can be seen on the moon is called Bailly, or "the fields of ruin." It covers 26,000 square miles — about the size of West Virginia.

● The Salem Witch Trials, in which hundreds of innocent people were persecuted as witches in 17th-century Massachusetts, did not take place in Salem, Mass. The town of Salem Village was located in what is now Danvers, Mass. — several miles from Salem.



The Luxor Hotel (shaped like an Egyptian Pyramid) in Las Vegas is 34 stories tall, and required more than 150,000 cubic yards of concrete, 6,000 construction workers, and 18 months to build. It takes a specially designed window-washing device 84 hours to clean the sides of the pyramid, which are covered by 13 acres of glass. The Luxor atrium is the world's largest and could comfortably hold nine Boeing 747 airplanes.

you have to go until you would find the letter "A"? One thousand.

● In playing cards, the King of Hearts is the only king without a mustache.

● In Shakespeare's time, mattresses were secured on bed frames by ropes. Pulling on the ropes made the mattress firmer and tighter. Hence the phrase, "Good night, sleep tight."

● In English pubs, ale is ordered by pints and quarts. In old England, when customers got unruly, the barman would yell at them to "mind your own pints and quarts" and settle down. It's where we get the phrase, "Mind your Ps and Qs."

● More pub lore: Many years ago in England, drinkers had a whistle baked into the rim or handle of their ceramic cups. When they needed a refill, they whistled for service. "Wet your whistle" is the phrase inspired by this practice.

● A new game was invented

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Between 20,000 and 40,000 bees live in a single hive. The queen bee lays nearly 1,500 eggs a day and lives for up to 3 years. The drone, whose only job it is to mate with the queen bee, has a life span of around 24 days and has no stinger. Worker bees — all sterile females — usually work themselves to death within 40 days, collecting pollen and nectar.

Hundreds of years ago in Scotland. Popular lore claims it got its name from the slogan, "Gentlemen only, ladies forbidden" — golf.

● Thermometers were once filled with brandy, not mercury.

● One of the ingredients in chocolate is . . . vanilla!

● When it's uncoiled and stretched out straight, the Slinky toy is 87 feet long.

● The first airline food? When he flew his historic transatlantic airplane flight, pioneering aviator Charles Lindbergh had four sandwiches with him for his meals.

● Dead Man Chanting: In the opening sequence of the 1977 sci-fi blockbuster *Close Encounters of the Third Kind*, which shows various images of close encounters and believers throughout the world, the late Grateful Dead guitarist Jerry Garcia can be spotted in the chanting crowd in India.

● In Apollo 13, real-life Apollo 13 astronaut Jim Lovell can be seen as the captain of the USS *Iwo Jima*. His wife, Marilyn, also had a cameo role as a spectator in the grandstands for the launch.

● Tough skin: The hides of mature female blue sharks are more than twice as thick as those of mature males, probably as a protection against courtship bites.

● In *Apocalypse Now*, the scene when U.S. forces attack the beach, the man shouting the movie saying, "Don't look at the camera" is the movie's director Francis Ford Coppola.

● In the 1960s TV sci-fi classic *Lost in Space*, Carol O'Connor was originally tagged for the role of Dr. Smith. The props used in the show were also employed in other popular TV shows of the time, *Batman*, *Land of the Giants*, *Time Tunnel* and *Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea*.

● For Disney's Aladdin, two men in the crowd that Aladdin pushes through are caricatures of two of the animators — John Musker and Ron Clements. The original plan was to use film critics Gene Siskel and Roger Ebert, but the critics would not give their permission.

● False facts, ma'am: Jack Webb's character, Sgt. Joe Friday of *Dragnet* fame never said, "Just the facts, ma'am." He did say "All we want are the facts, ma'am" and sometimes "All we know are the facts, ma'am." When questioning women in the course of LAPD investigations.

● Singer-songwriter Paul Simon took the title of his song "Mother and Child Reunion" from the name of a chicken-and-egg dish he spotted on a Chinese restaurant's menu.

● The theme to the popular TV series *Star Trek* originally had lyrics. Here they are: "Beyond the rim of the star-light, my love is wandering in star flight. I know he'll find in star-clustered realms, love. Strange love a star woman teaches. I know his journey ends never; his star trek will go on forever. But tell him while he wanders his starry sea to remember, remember me."

● He said it: A Memphis, Tenn., musician named Eddy Reed, for whom a young Elvis Presley auditioned, advised him to "Stick to driving a truck, because you'll never make it as a singer."

● Despite man's fear and hatred of the wolf, it has never been proven that a non-rabid wolf has ever attacked a human.

● Women's work is never done: It is the female lion who does more than 90 percent of the hunting, while the male is afraid to risk his life, or simply prefers to lay around.

● Unlike their humpback whale relatives, whose underwater song evolves from year to year, killer whales retain individual dialects unchanged over long periods, possibly even for life.

● It may take longer than ten days for a chick to break out of its shell.

● It takes about 50 hours for a snake to digest one frog.

● It takes an average of 345 squirts to yield a gallon of milk from a cow's udder.

● Dolphins swim in circles while they sleep with the eye on the outside of the circle to keep watch for predators. After a certain amount of time, they reverse and swim in the opposite direction with

The famous Hollywood sign in the hills of Los Angeles didn't always read that way. Originally, the sign read "Hollywoodland." It was lit up by 4,000 lights. A 400-foot-high replacement was erected in 1978, Hollywood's 75th anniversary.

● Legendary Apache chief Geronimo's Indian name, Goyathlay, in English means "one who yawns." The Mexicans gave him the name Geronimo, which in Spanish means "Jerome."

● A baby bat is called a pup.

● Parties at the White House during President Herbert Hoover's term were big events. As many as 4,800 invitations to a gala would be loaded on trucks and hand delivered around Washington, D.C.

● In the middle of Nowhere: Two town names in the U.S. are No Name, Colo.

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